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SPIDER-MAN



High schooler Miles Morales was bitten by a stolen, genetically altered spider that granted him incredible arachnid-like powers. He has only shared this secret with his friend Ganke, Fabio Medina (A.K.A. Goldballs), and his secret agent father, Jefferson. Recently, Miles' mother Rio learned Miles' and Jefferson's secrets, creating a rift in the family.

After Hammerhead, Black Cat's main goon, put Miles' friend and fellow super hero, Bombshell, in the hospital, Miles set out alone to take care of things. He got in over his head, though, and wouldn't have made it out alive if not for Goldballs coming in and saving him. As Miles recovered in the hospital, Bombshell made an emotional discovery of her own. Meanwhile, Hammerhead just greenlit his plan B...

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I'M NOT COMPLAINING,
BUT LIFE IS NOT EASY FOR
GANKE LEE. MASTER
CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL
LEGO DESIGNER BY DAY...

...AND BY NIGHT, OR
EVEN LATE DAY, I
PATROL THE STREETS
OF THE CITY AS THE
GREATEST AVENGER
OF ALL TIME...

**THE AVENGING
AVENGER!!!**

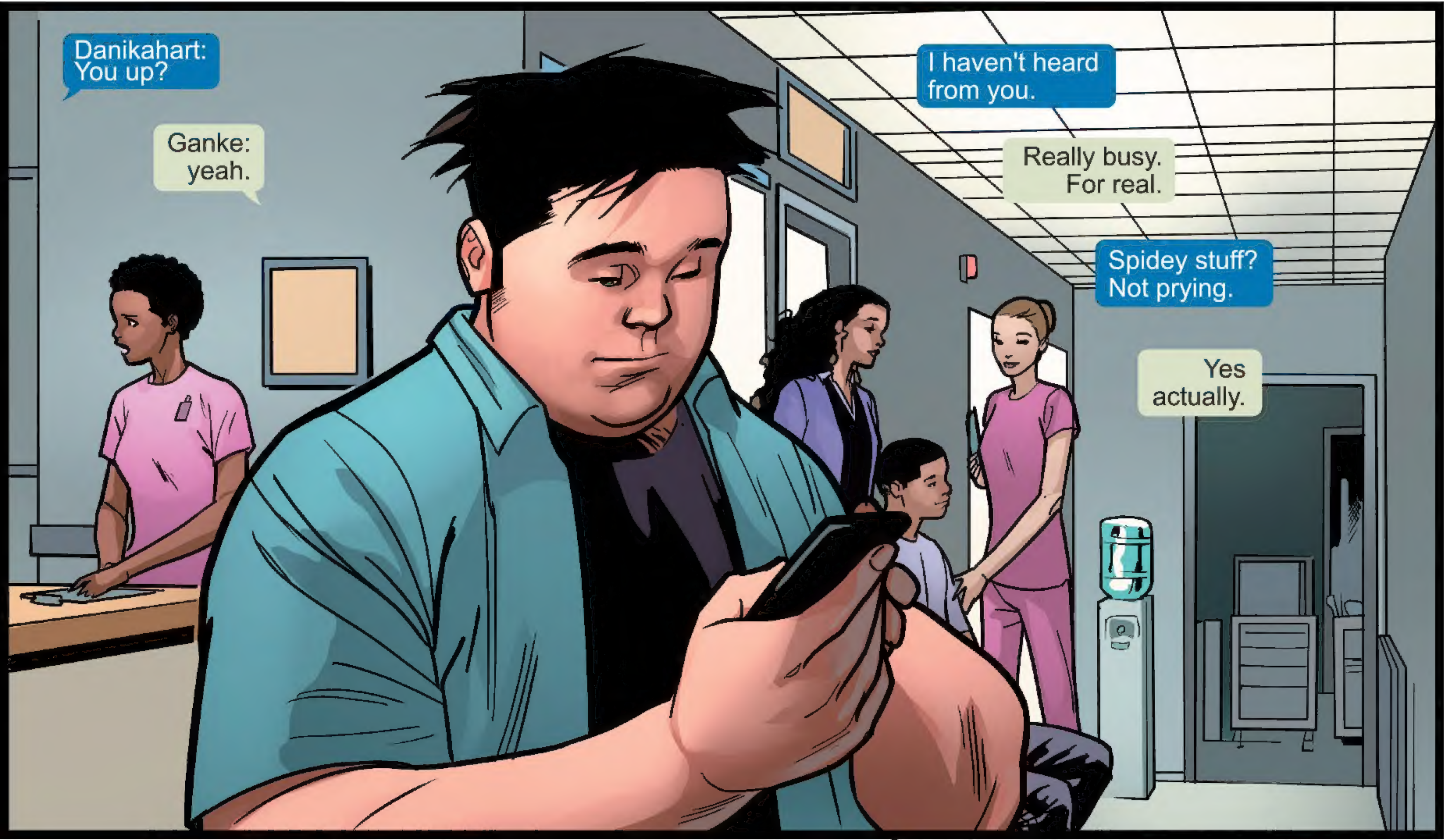
BAM BAM

**THE AVENGING
AVENGER!!!**

LOOKS LIKE
I'M NEEDED!

AAAAHHHH!!!

FOAM



You are forgiven then. :)

And I know you'd never lie about that.

never

I know.

You okay?

Just been thinking.

...

...

About what?

?!

...

...

don't make fun of me



Of course not.

...

About you.

Are you for real?

I'm so embarrassed.

Don't be! I'm smiling. If you could see me, it's all smiles. :):):):)

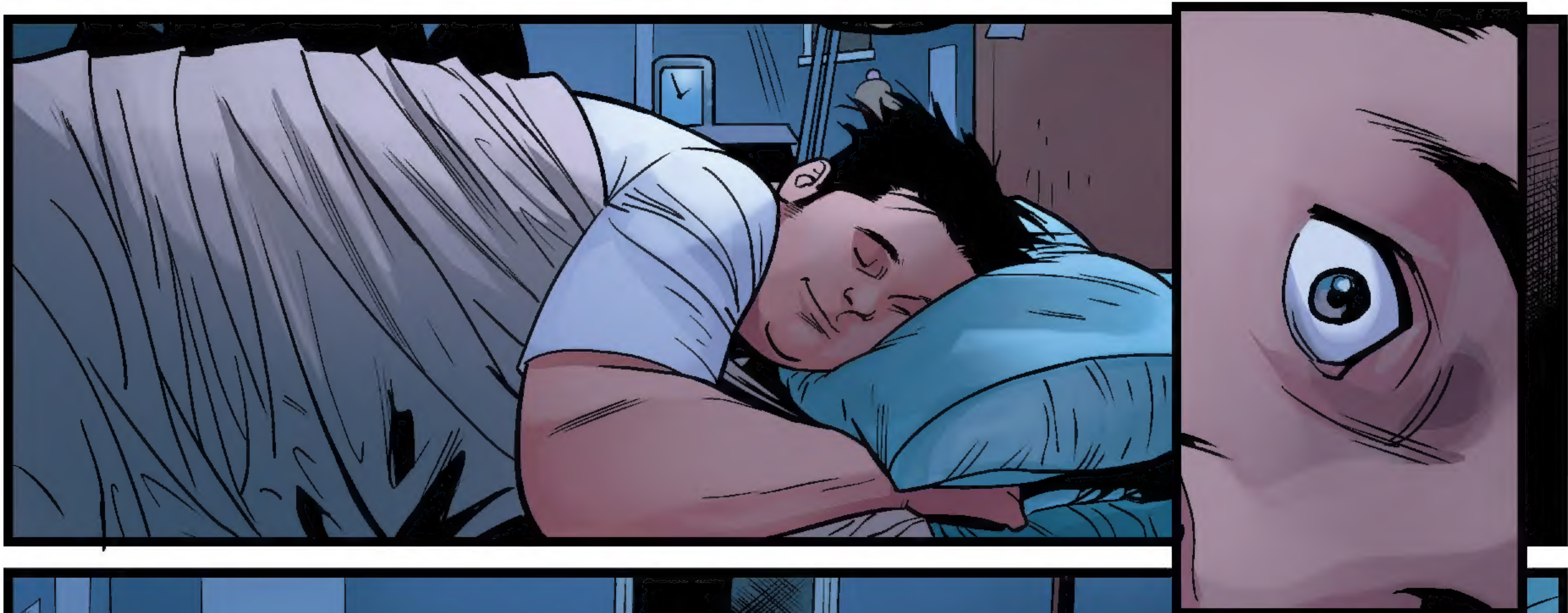


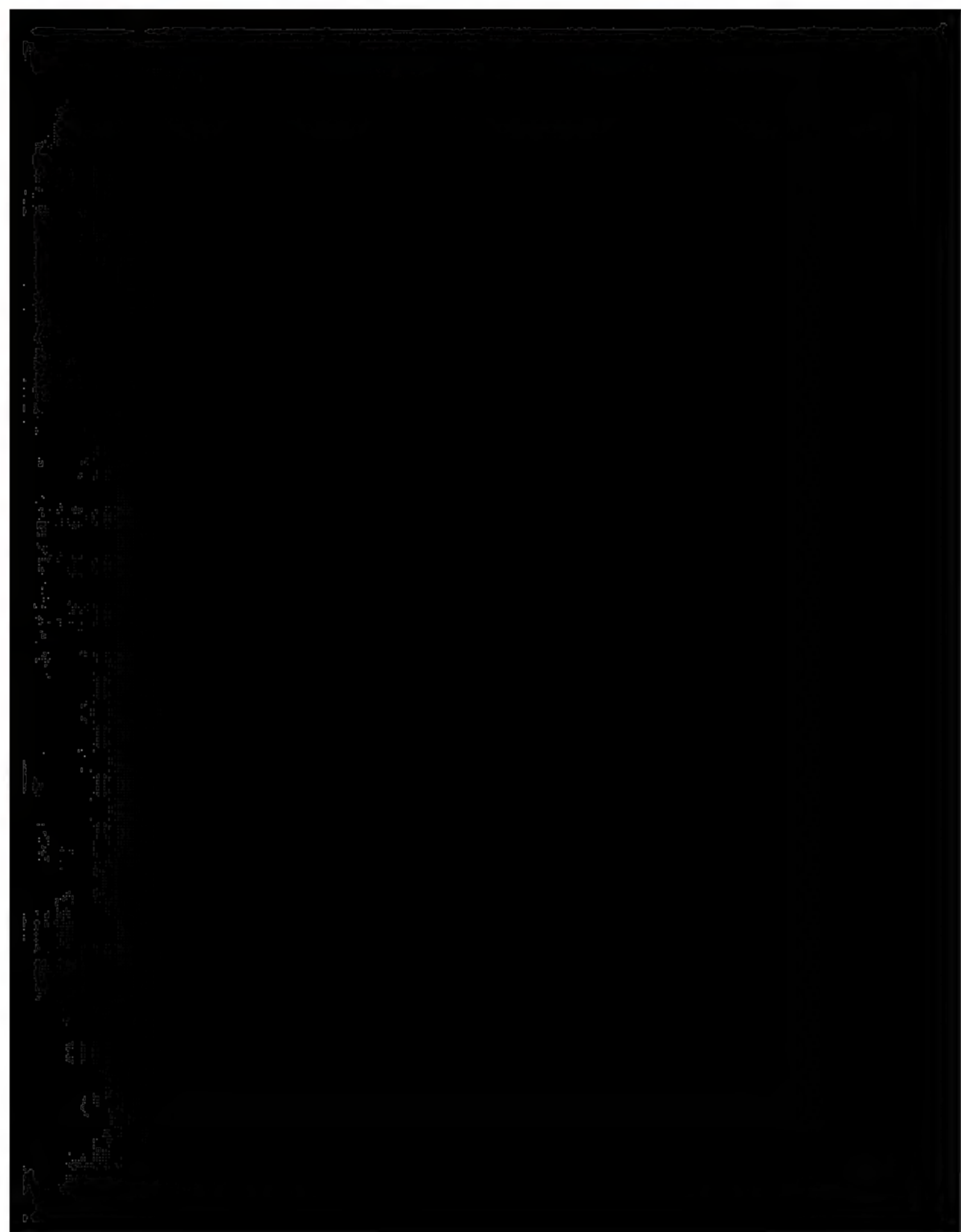
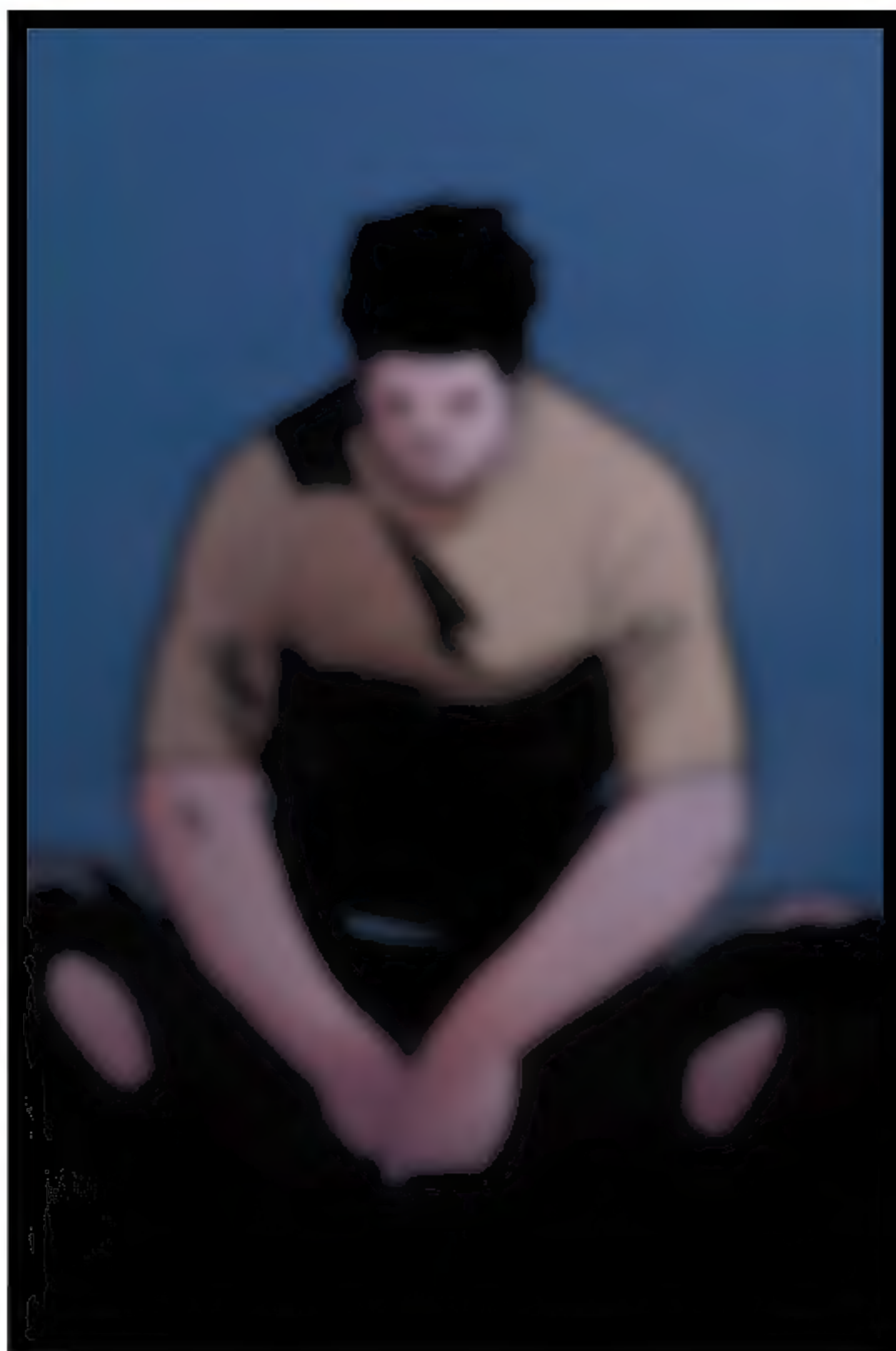
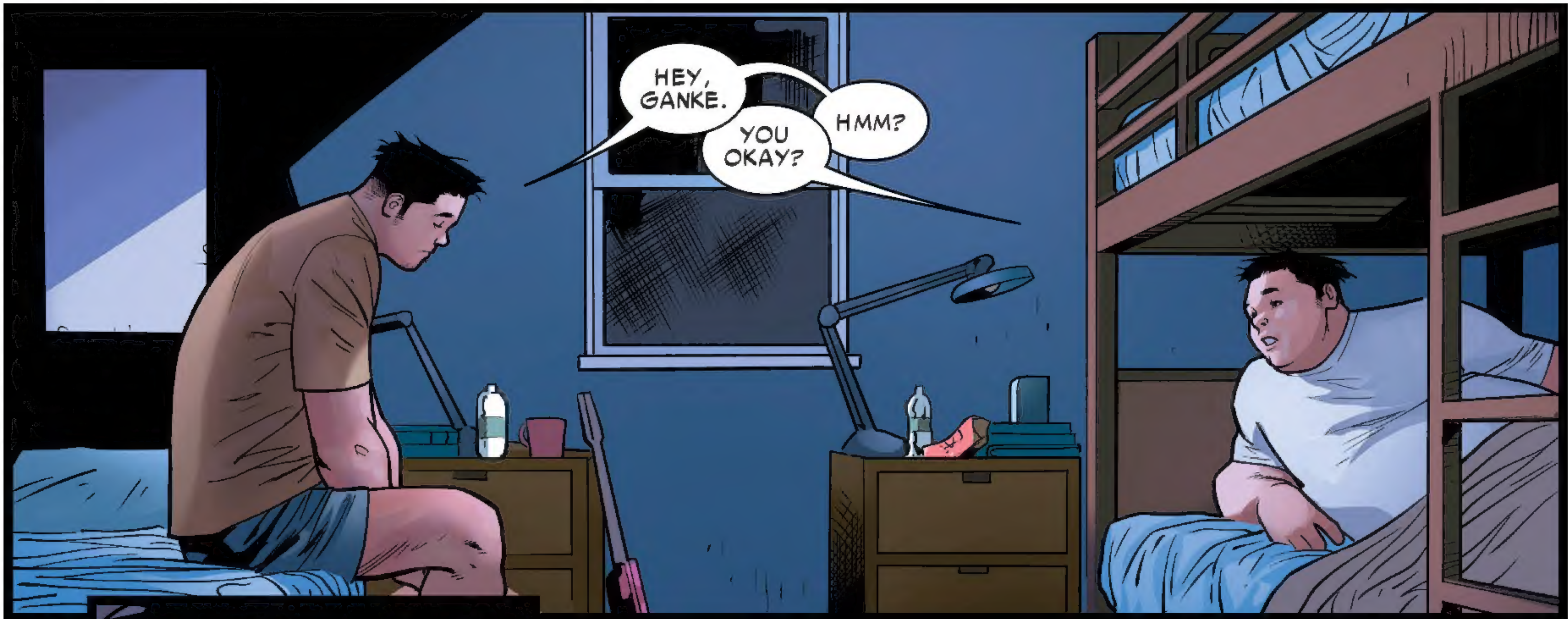
What are you doing later?

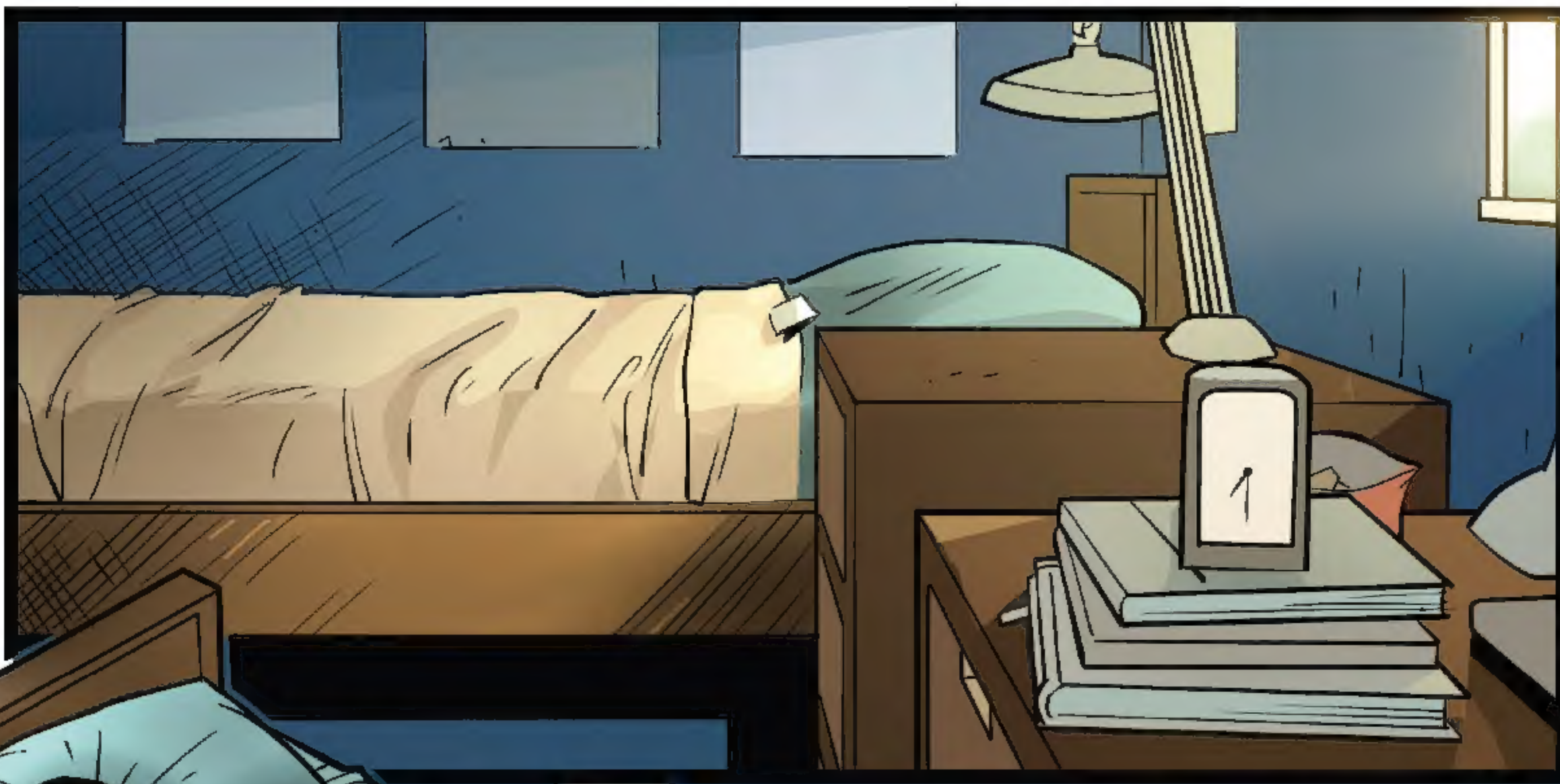
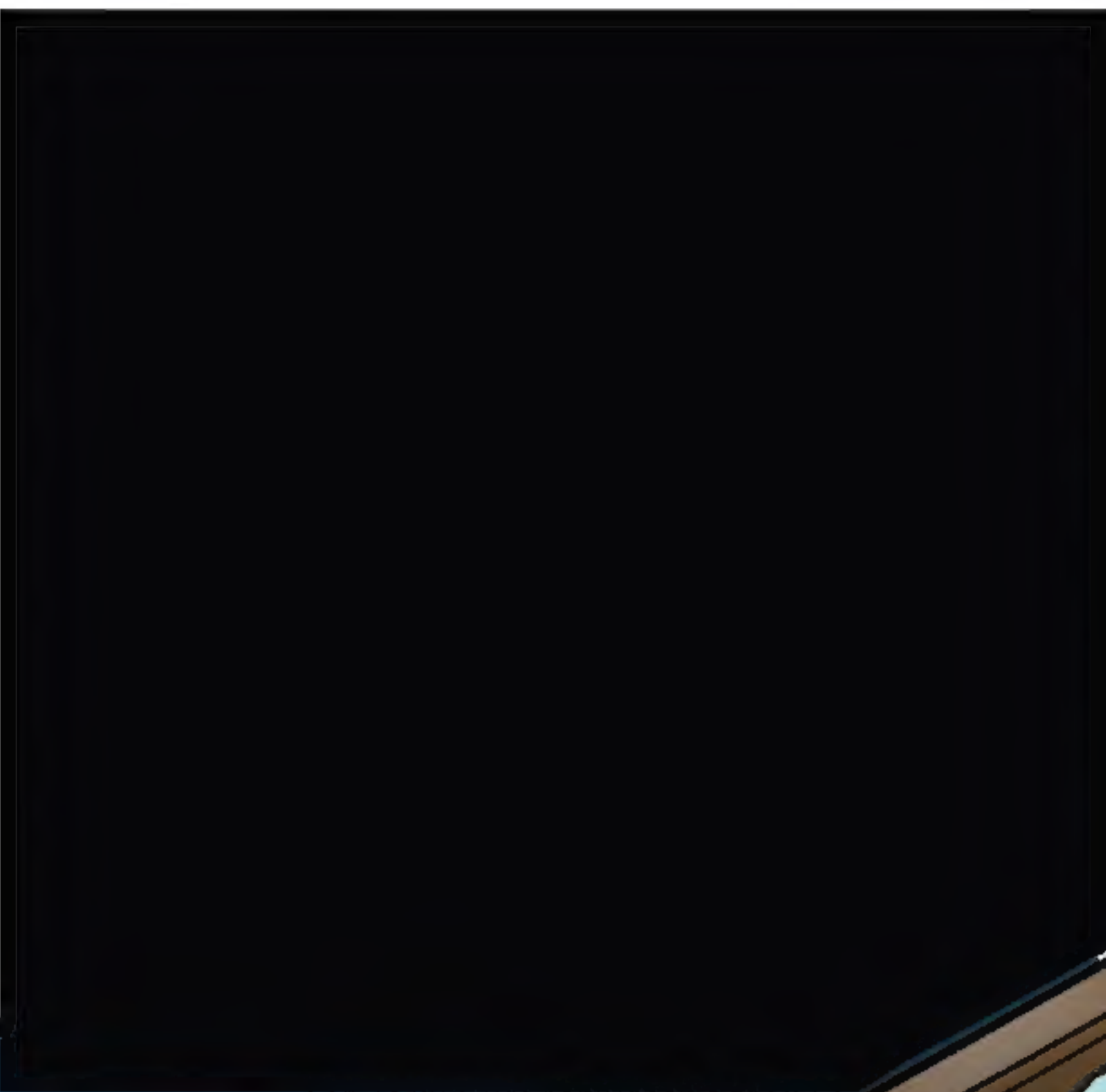
Enjoying your company?

:)









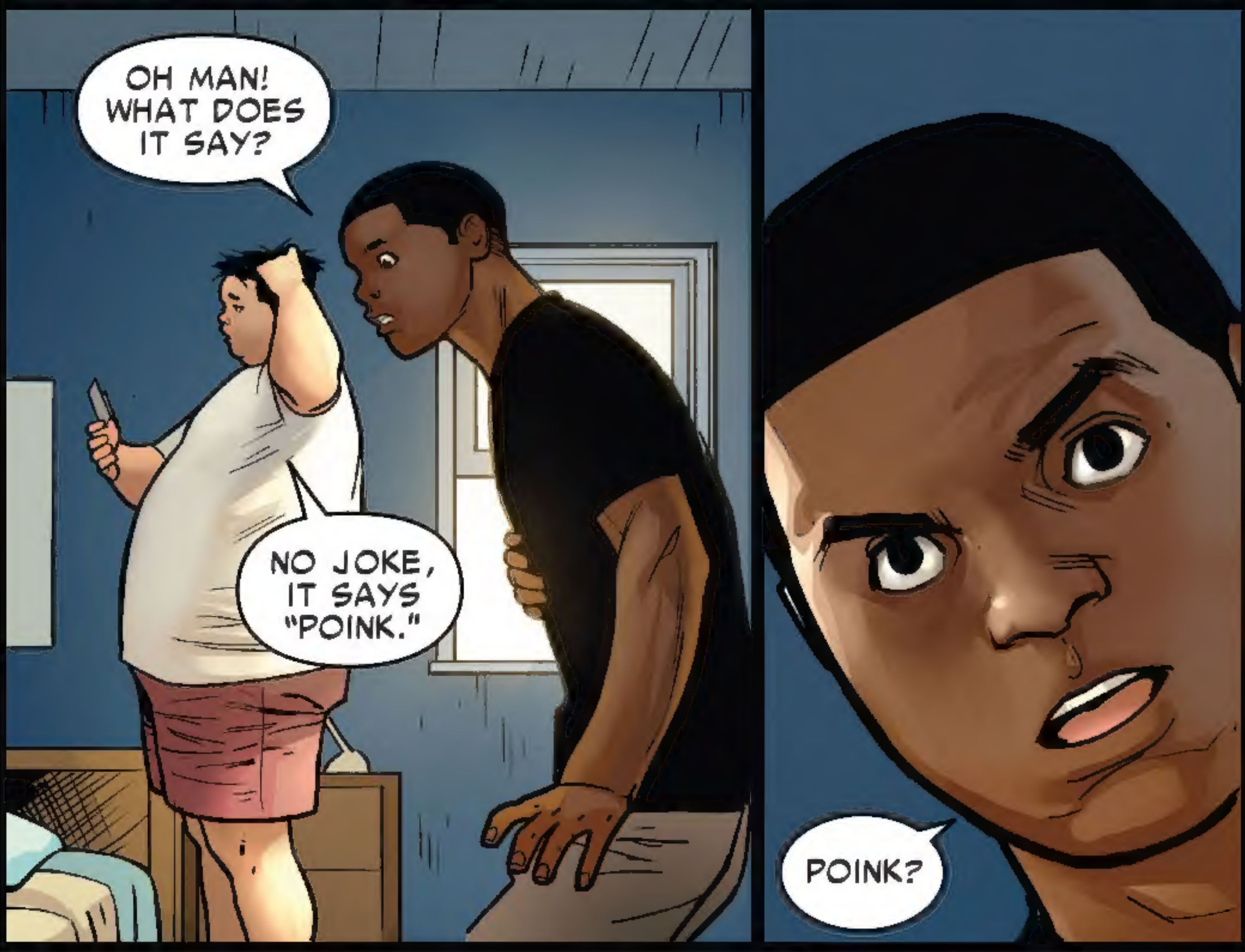
OW.
YOU, TOO?
MORNING, MISTER MORALES.
EVERYTHING HURTS, GANKE.
YEAH, WELL, STOP GETTING HIT SO MUCH.
HEY, DID YOU MAKE ANY NEW WEB FLUID?
WHEN WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO THAT?



WHILE I WAS LYING IN THE HOSPITAL.
ASLEEP.
I WAS RIGHT THERE NEXT TO YOU.
BUT STILL--UH-OH.
WHAT?



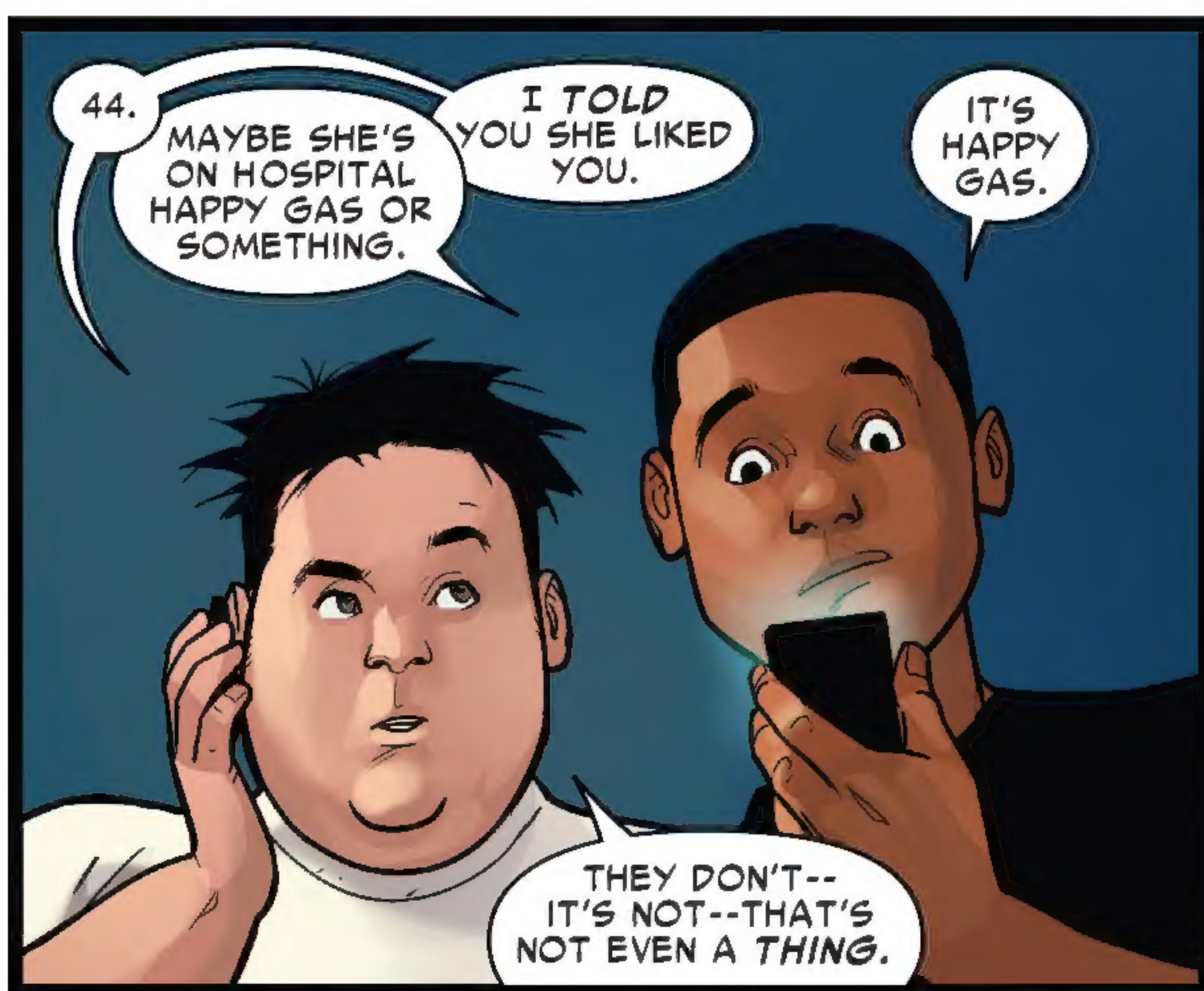
IT'S A NOTE.
FABIO LEFT A NOTE.
AND HIS STUFF IS GONE.

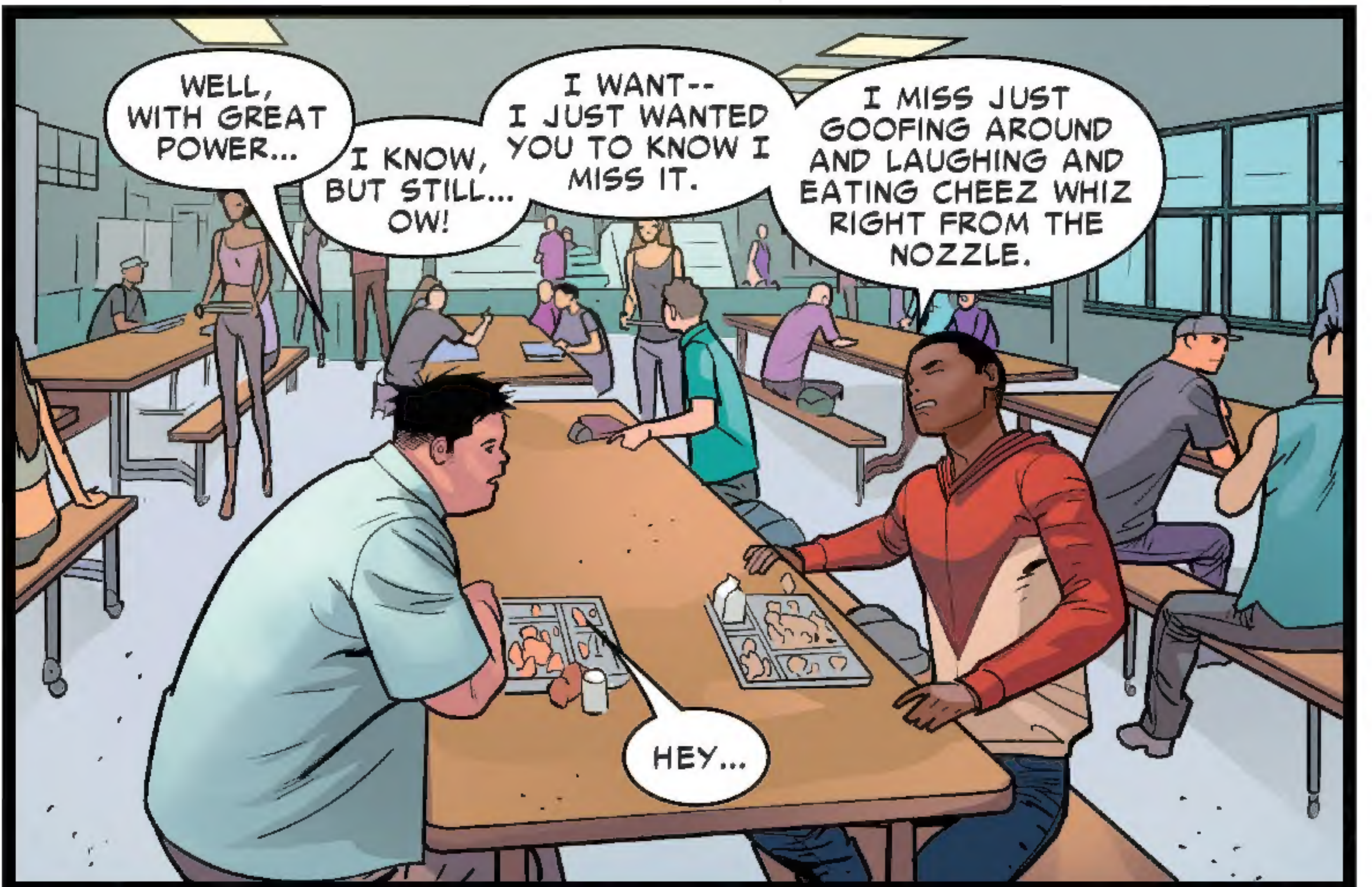
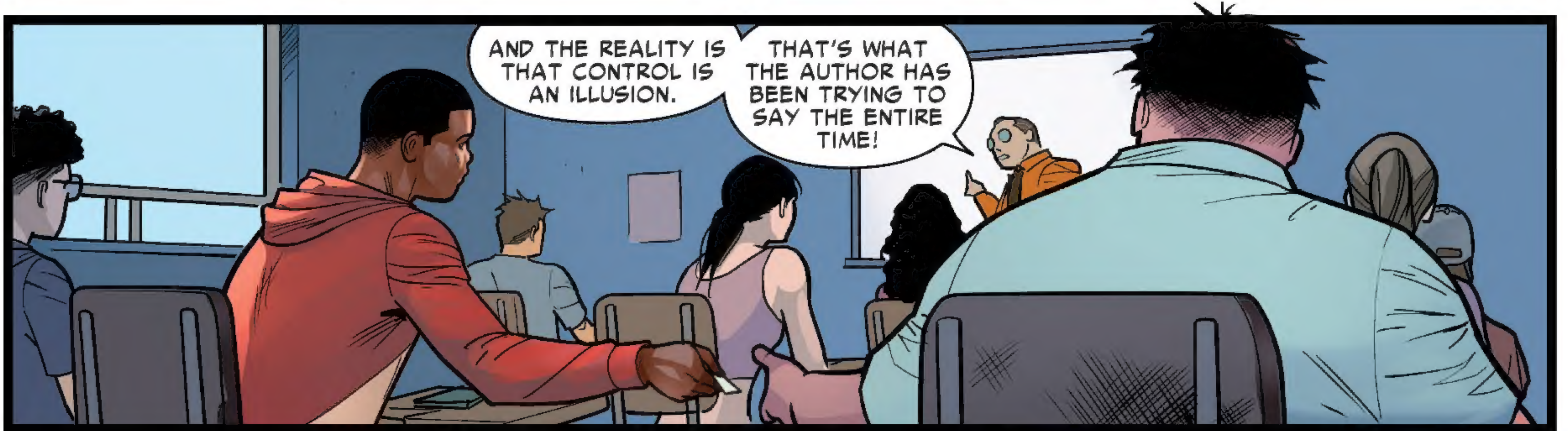


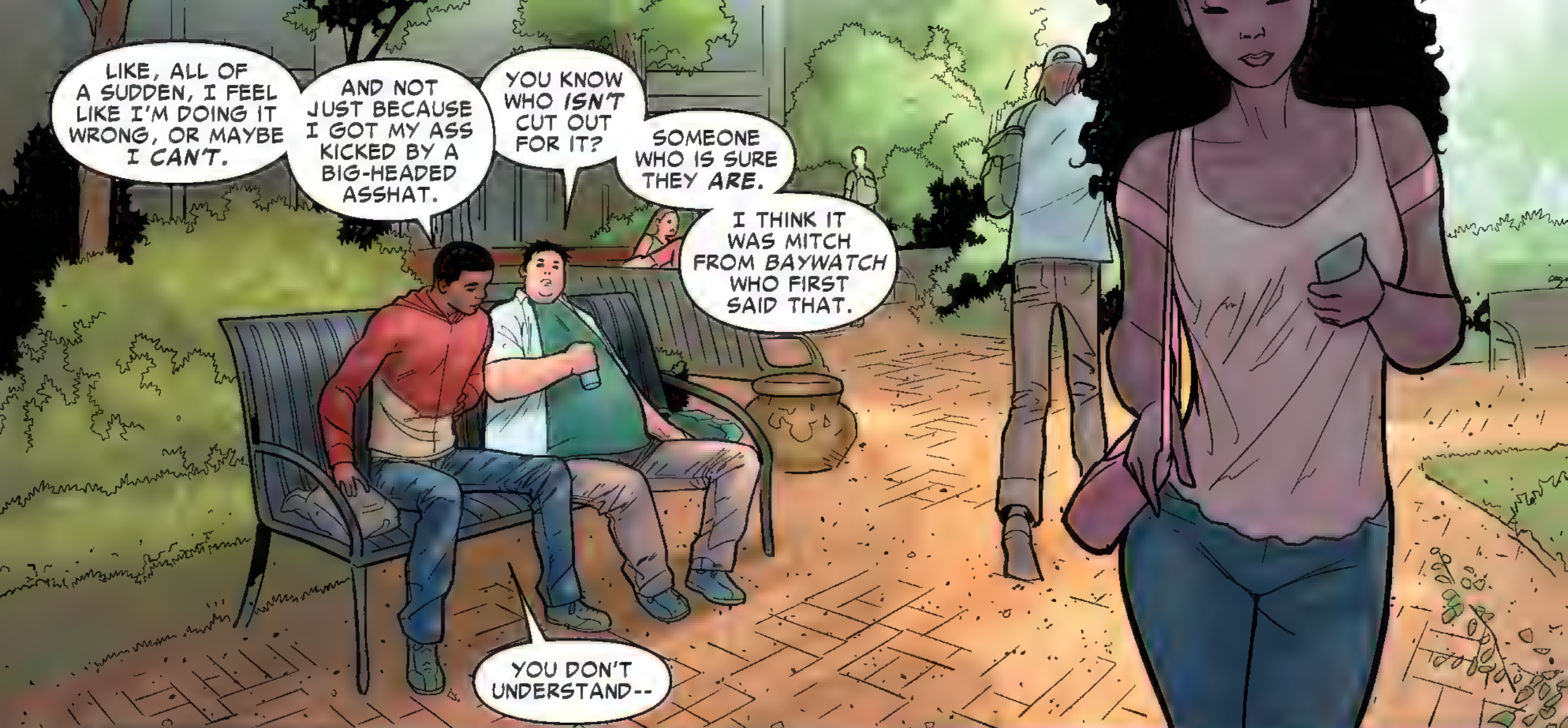
OH MAN! WHAT DOES IT SAY?
NO JOKE, IT SAYS "POINK."



POINK?







LIKE, ALL OF A SUDDEN, I FEEL LIKE I'M DOING IT WRONG, OR MAYBE I CAN'T.

AND NOT JUST BECAUSE I GOT MY ASS KICKED BY A BIG-HEADED ASSHAT.

YOU KNOW WHO *ISN'T* CUT OUT FOR IT?

SOMEONE WHO IS SURE THEY ARE.

I THINK IT WAS MITCH FROM BAYWATCH WHO FIRST SAID THAT.

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND--



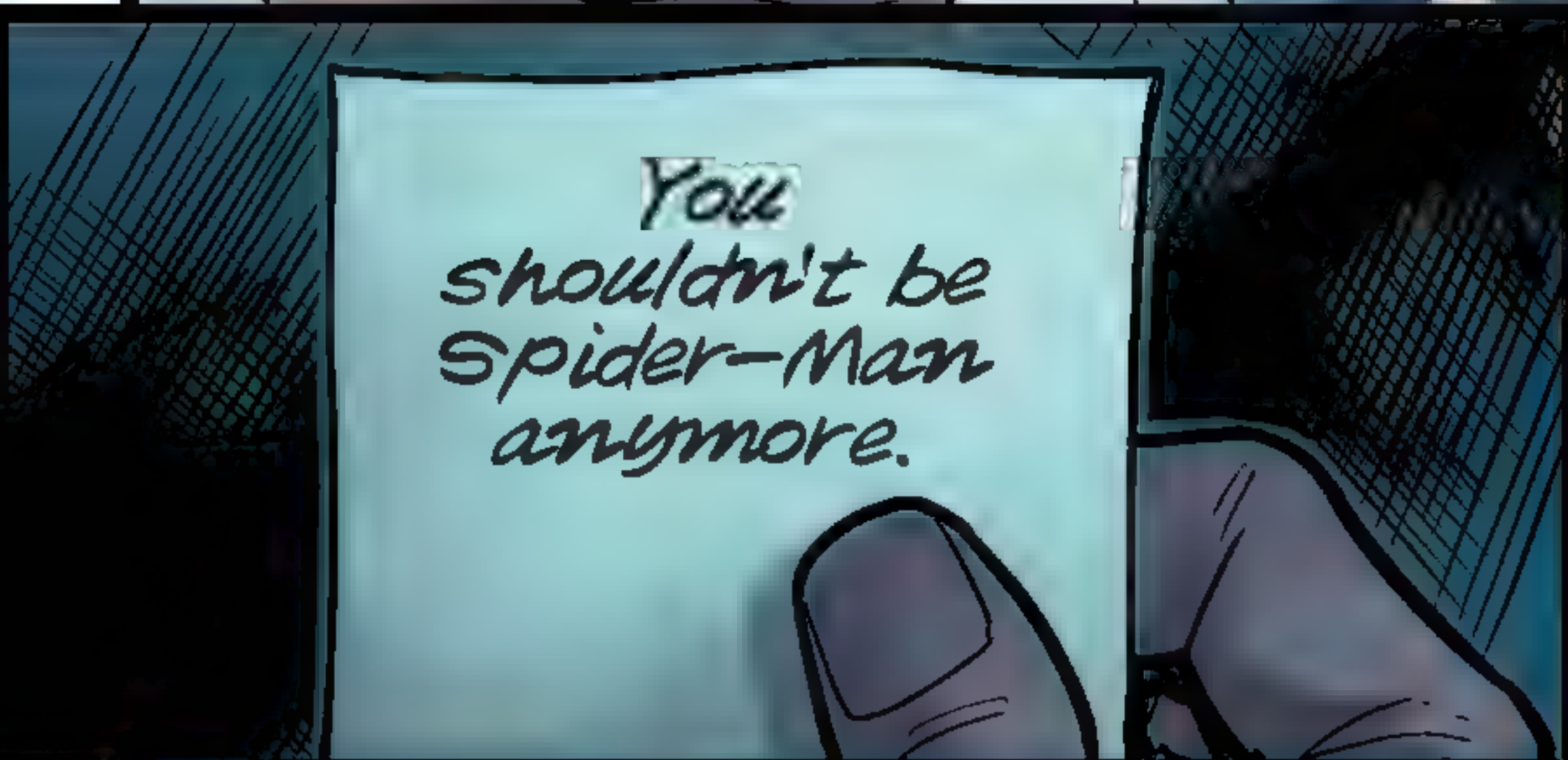
I THINK I KNOW WHY YOU'RE SO OUT OF SORTS.

BUT IT'S A BIG ONE AND I DON'T WANT YOU TO FREAK OUT.

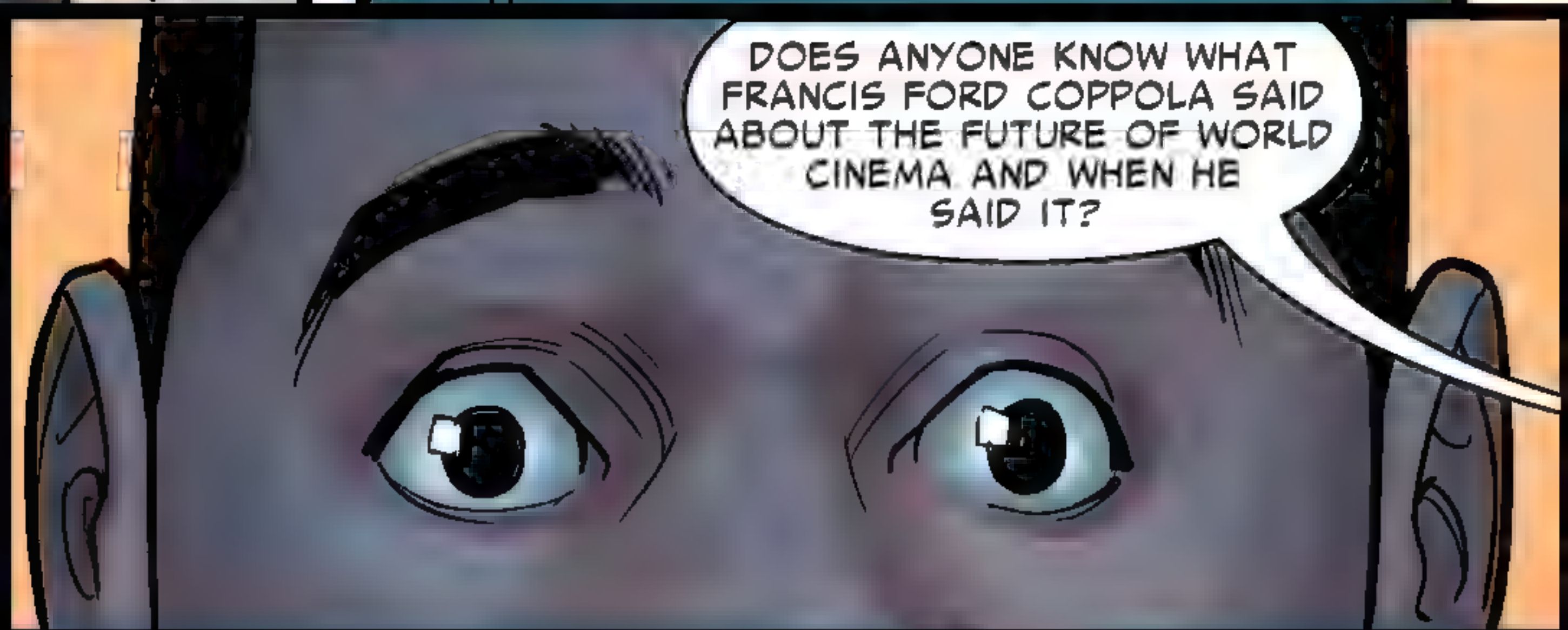
IT SHOULDN'T.

WHAT IS IT?

IS IT GOING TO HURT MY FEELINGS?



You shouldn't be Spider-Man anymore.



DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA SAID ABOUT THE FUTURE OF WORLD CINEMA AND WHEN HE SAID IT?

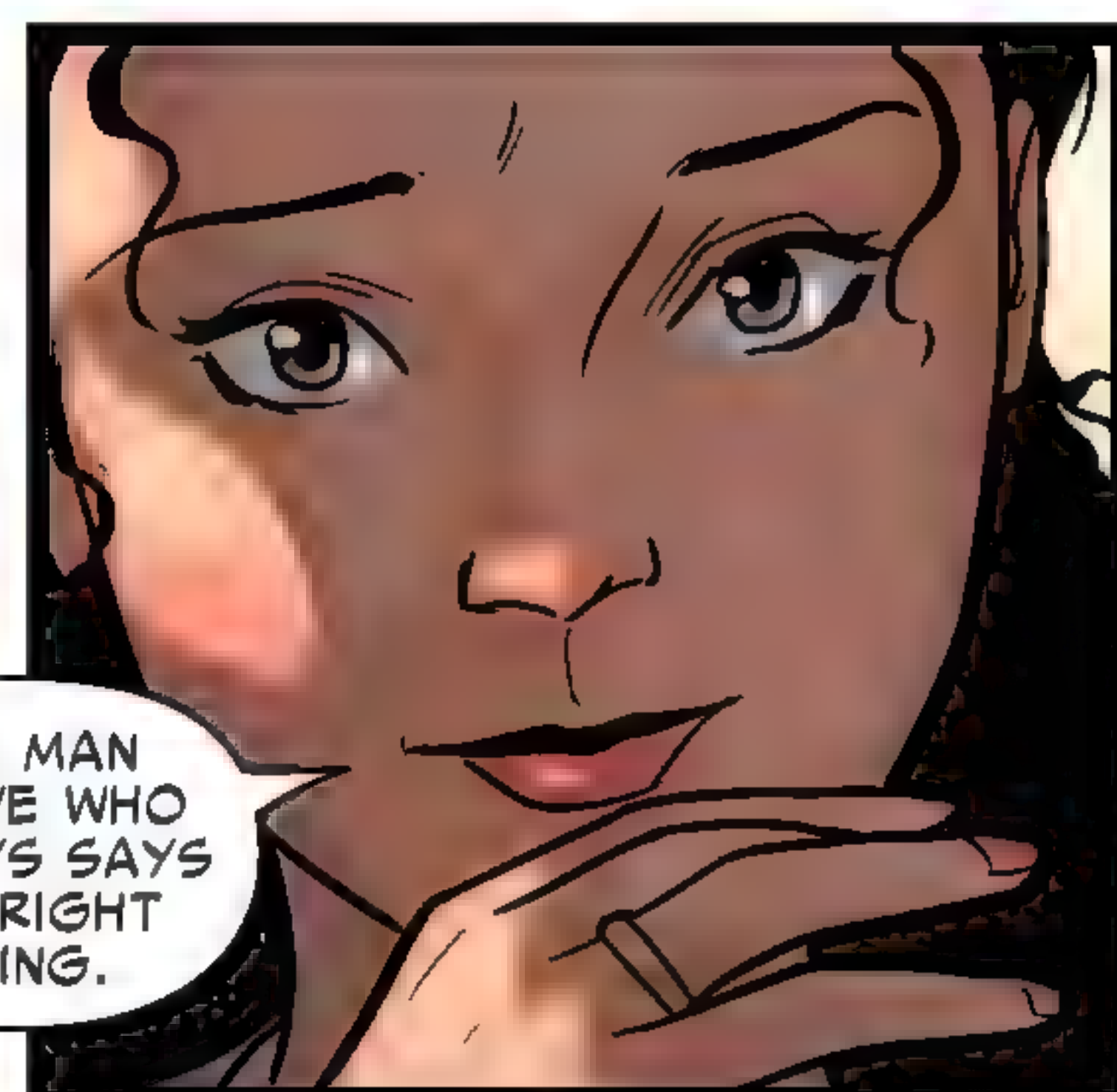
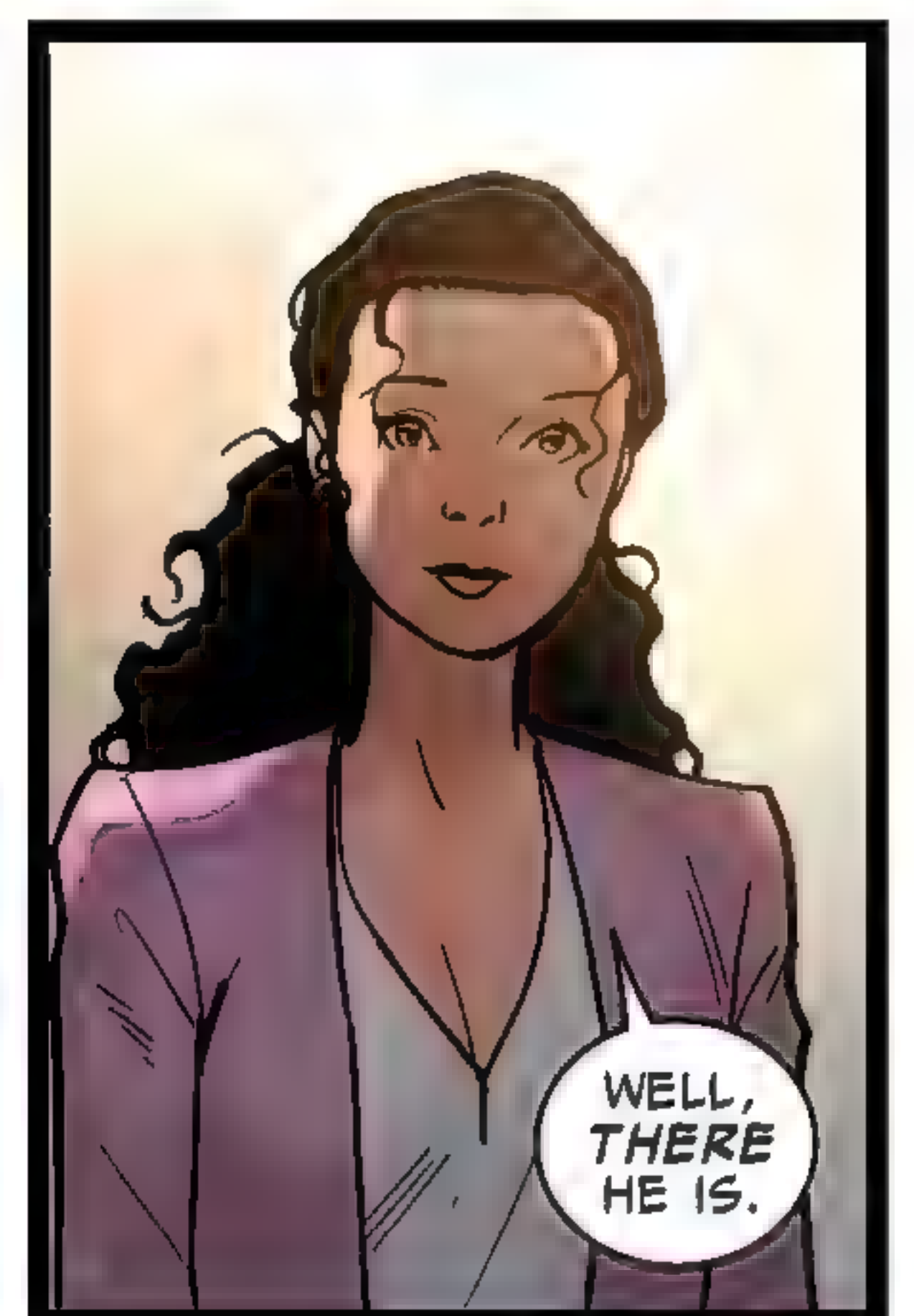
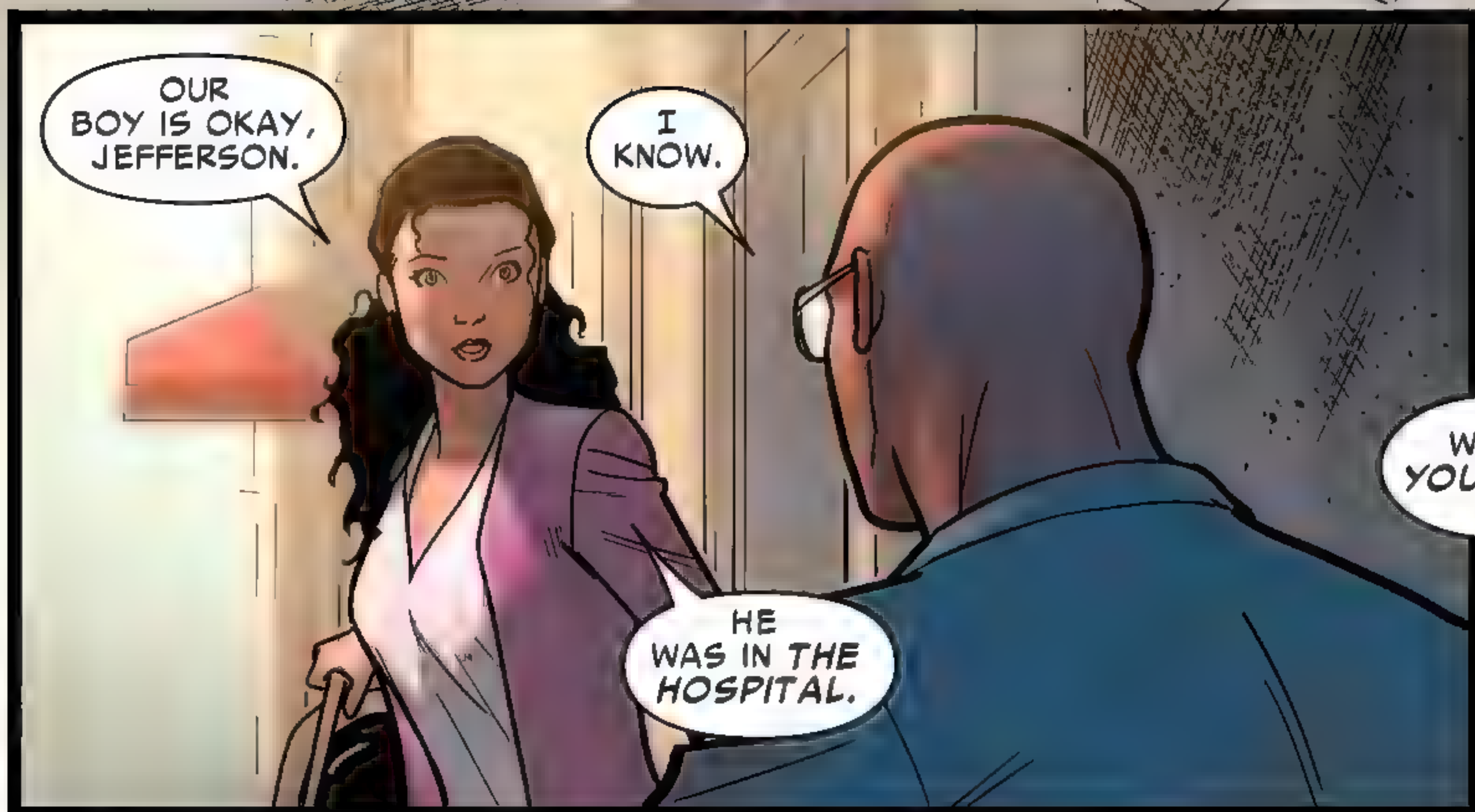


IT WAS IN THE TAKE-HOME.

COME ON, PEOPLE. I'M NOT UP HERE SPEAKING TO HEAR THE SOUND OF MY OWN--

OH, I KNOW!

HE SAID THAT THE PROBLEM WITH THE CINEMA OF THE UNITED STATES IS THAT IT'S ONLY LOOKING TO--





I HATE THIS.

I DON'T LOVE IT EITHER.

LOOK AT ME, RIO...

I WANT YOU TO REALLY HEAR ME.

I'M REALLY, REALLY SORRY.



YOU'RE MY WHOLE WORLD.

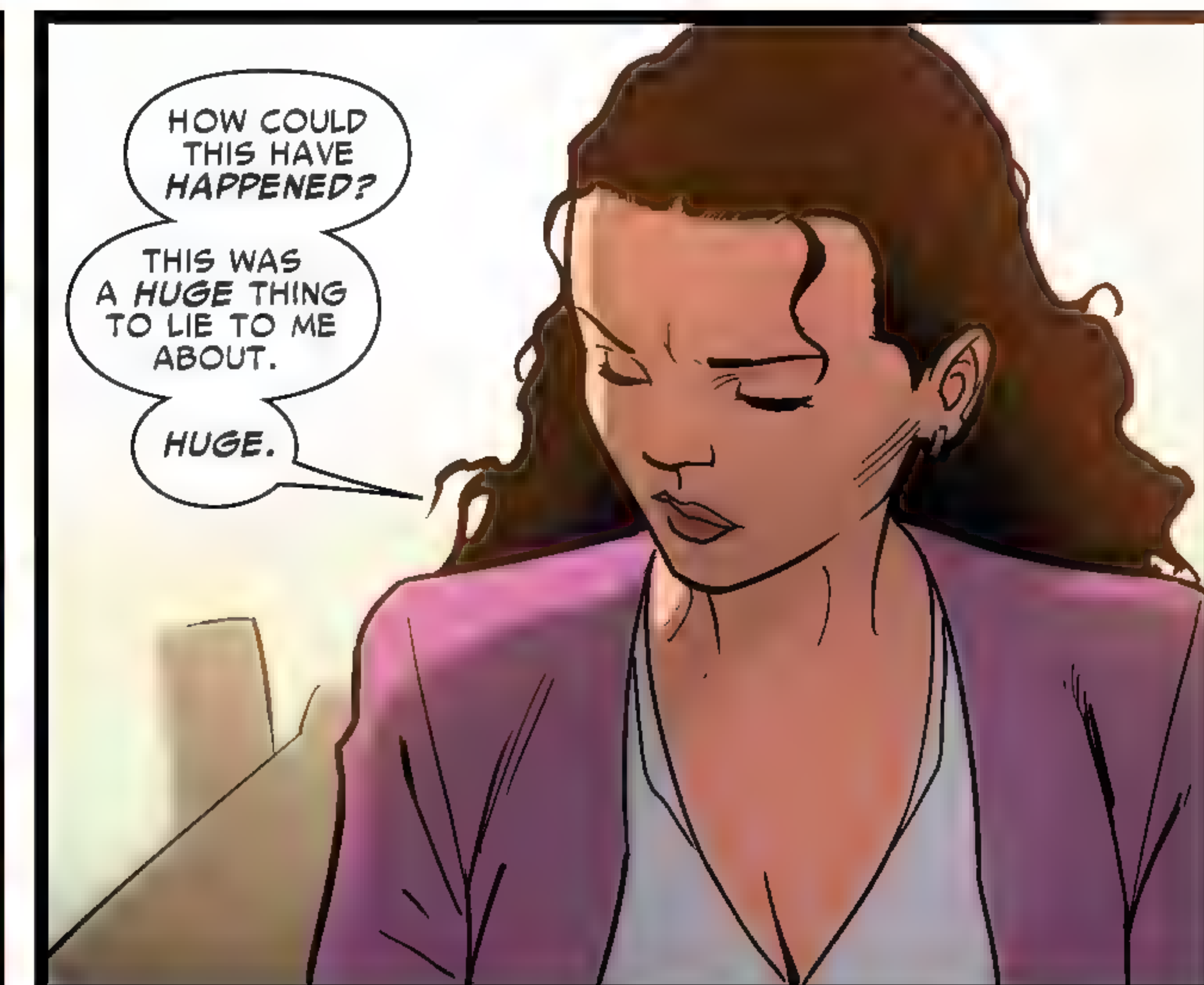
IT'S LIKE--

IT'S LIKE--

IT'S LIKE I'M WALKING AROUND WITHOUT MY ARM.



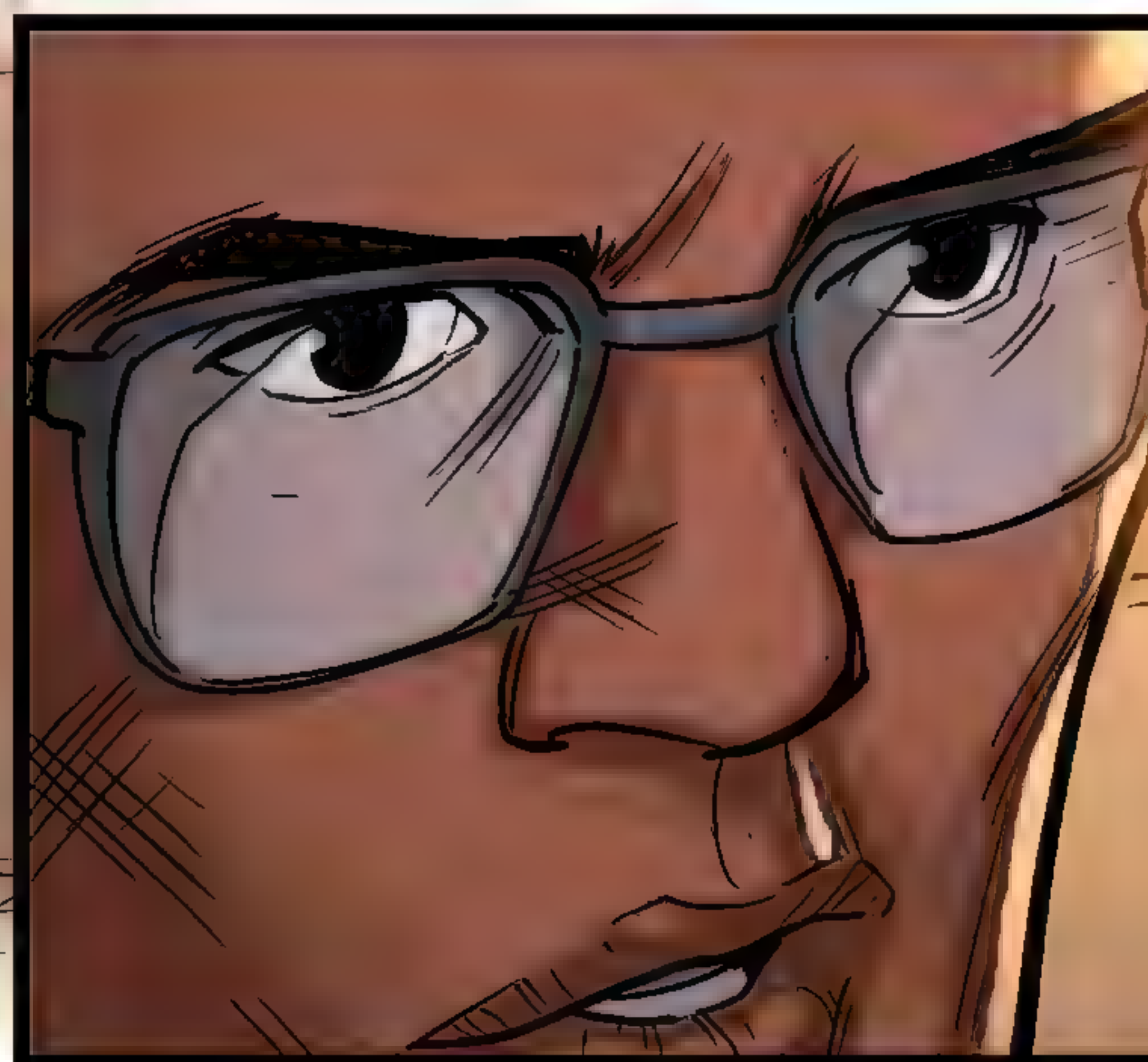
I KNOW.



HOW COULD THIS HAVE HAPPENED?

THIS WAS A HUGE THING TO LIE TO ME ABOUT.

HUGE.



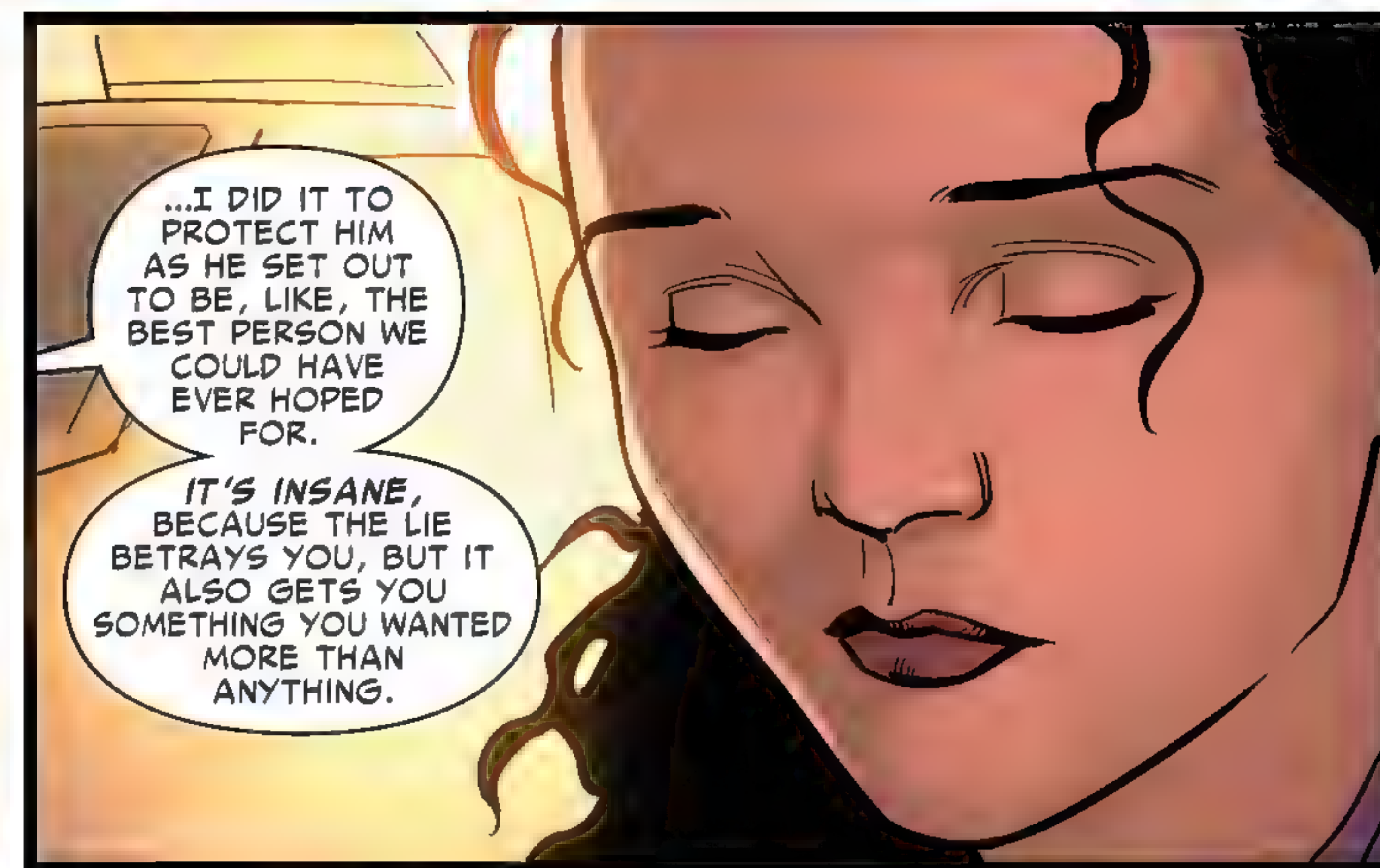
SO HUGE THAT NO MATTER WHAT I DID I WAS GOING TO HURT SOMEONE I LOVE MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD.

SO I HAD A CHOICE...

BUT YOU AND I BOTH AGREE MY NUMBER ONE JOB IS TO SET MILES STRAIGHT IN THIS WORLD.

AND THE ONLY WAY I CAN SEE THAT HAPPENING IS IF HE LOVES AND RESPECTS AND TRUSTS ME AND I FIGURED YOU--

YOU'D FORGIVE ME BECAUSE...



...I DID IT TO PROTECT HIM AS HE SET OUT TO BE, LIKE, THE BEST PERSON WE COULD HAVE EVER HOPED FOR.

IT'S INSANE, BECAUSE THE LIE BETRAYS YOU, BUT IT ALSO GETS YOU SOMETHING YOU WANTED MORE THAN ANYTHING.



THIS IS MY FAULT.

I'M SORRY.

BUT MY REASONS-- THAT WAS IT...

PLEASE COME HOME.



RIO...



DO NOT RUN AFTER HER, SHE HATES THAT. DO NOT RUN AFTER HER, SHE HATES THAT. DO NOT RUN AFTER HER, SHE HATES THAT.

YOU KNOW...

SOMETIMES THEY ACTUALLY DO WANT YOU TO RUN AFTER THEM.

EVEN IF THEY SAID THEY DON'T.

WELL, NOT THIS TIME.



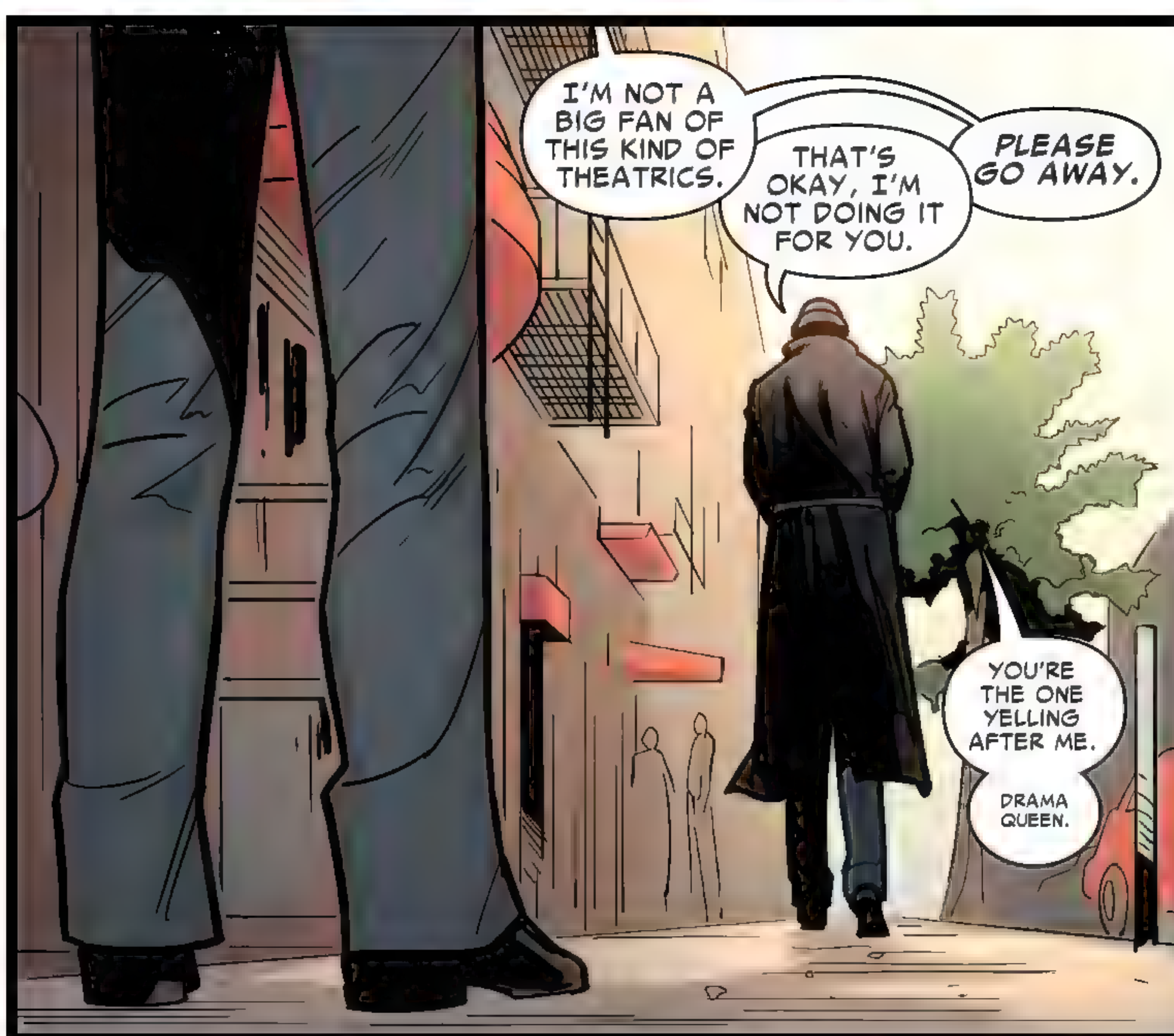
YOU KNOW HER BETTER.

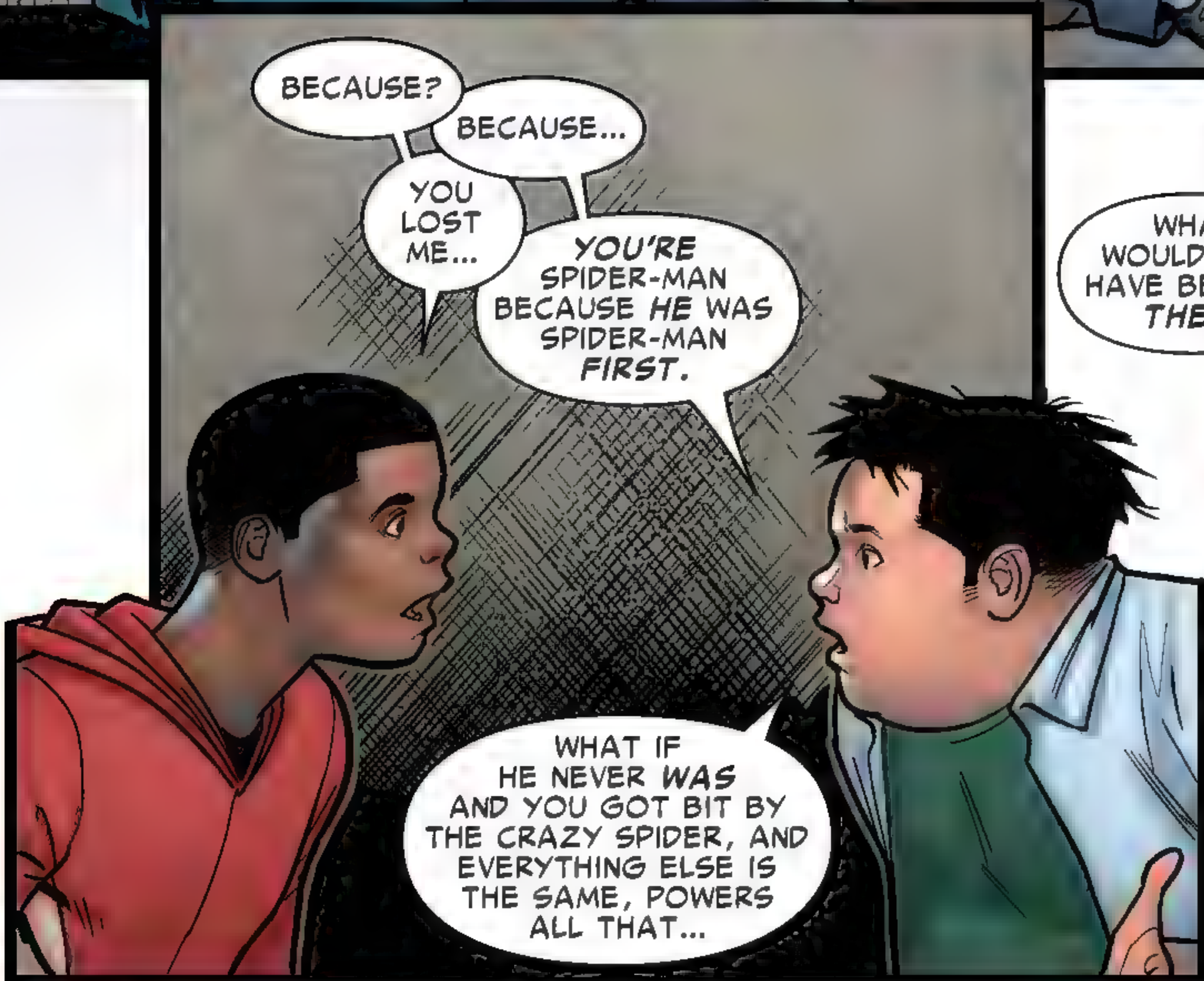


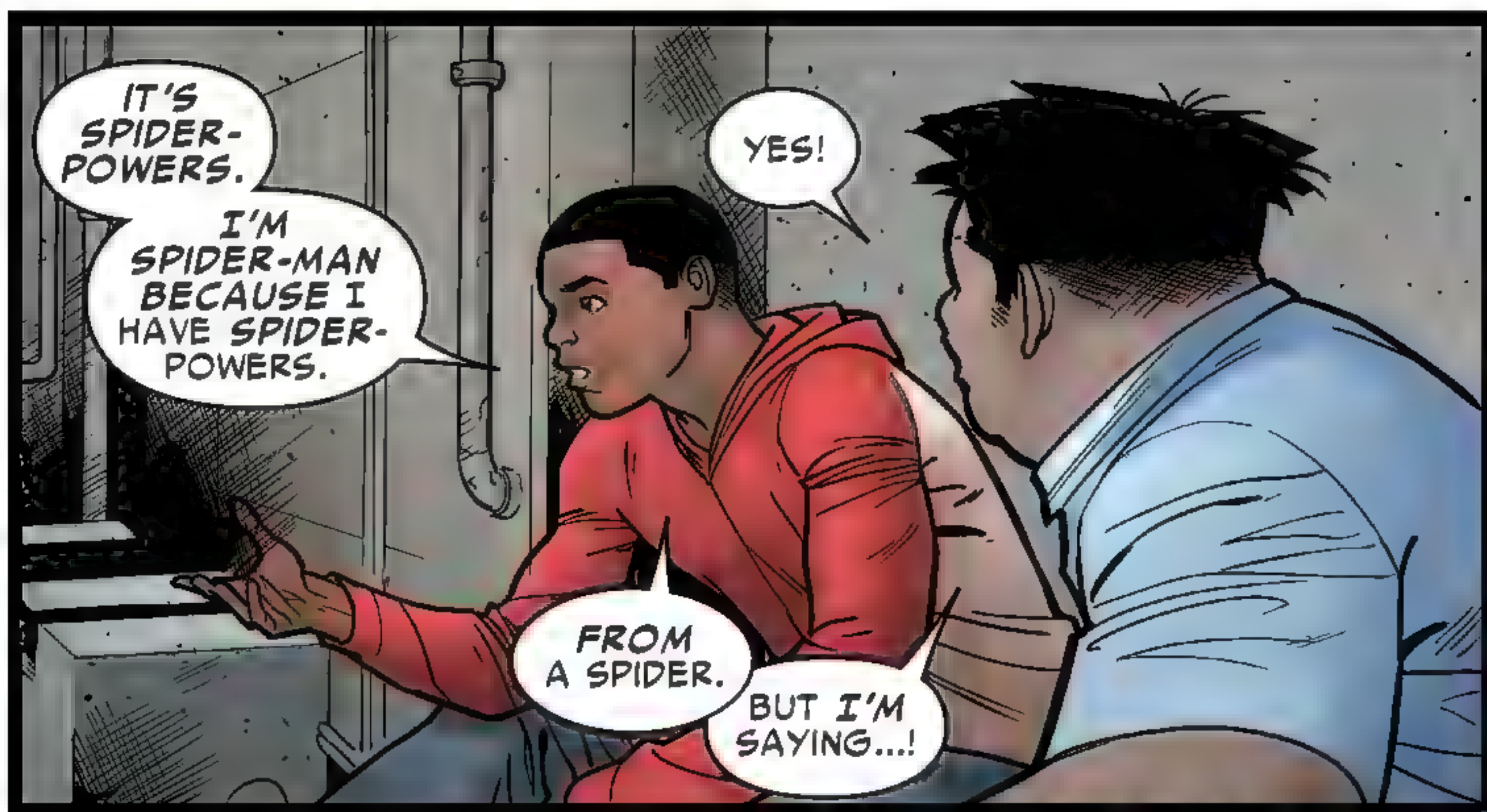
I'M SORRY, BUDDY, BUT--

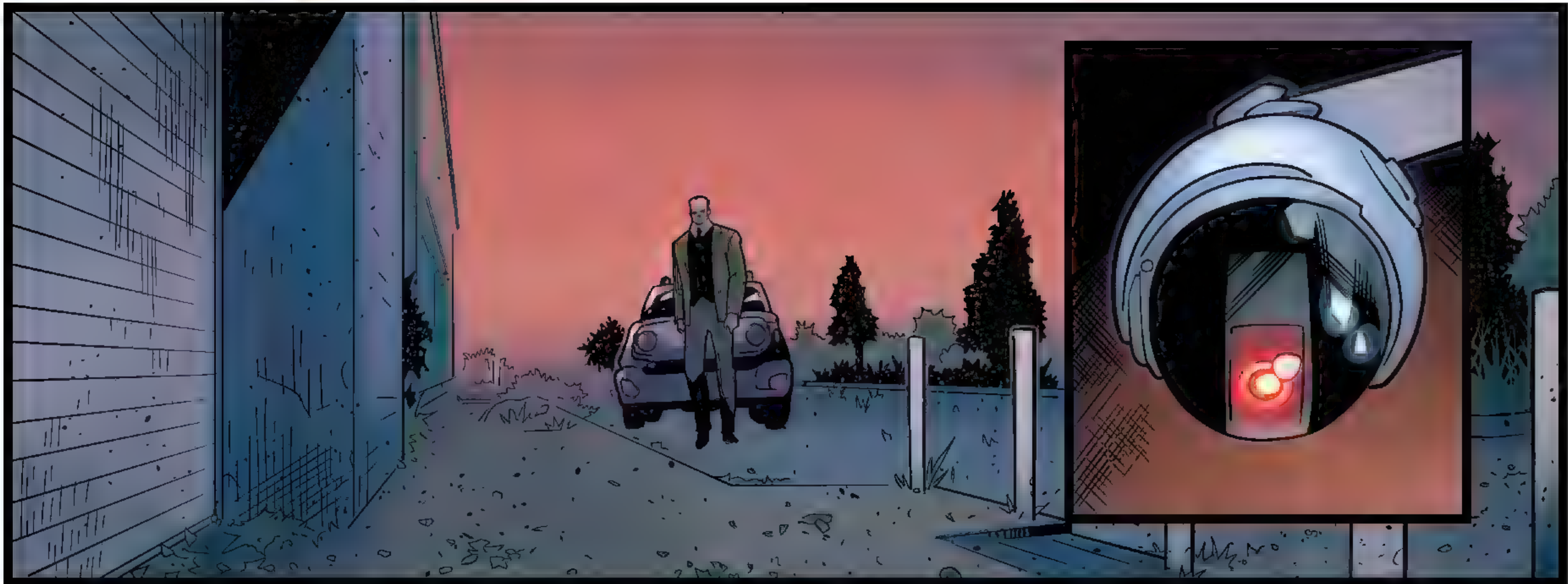
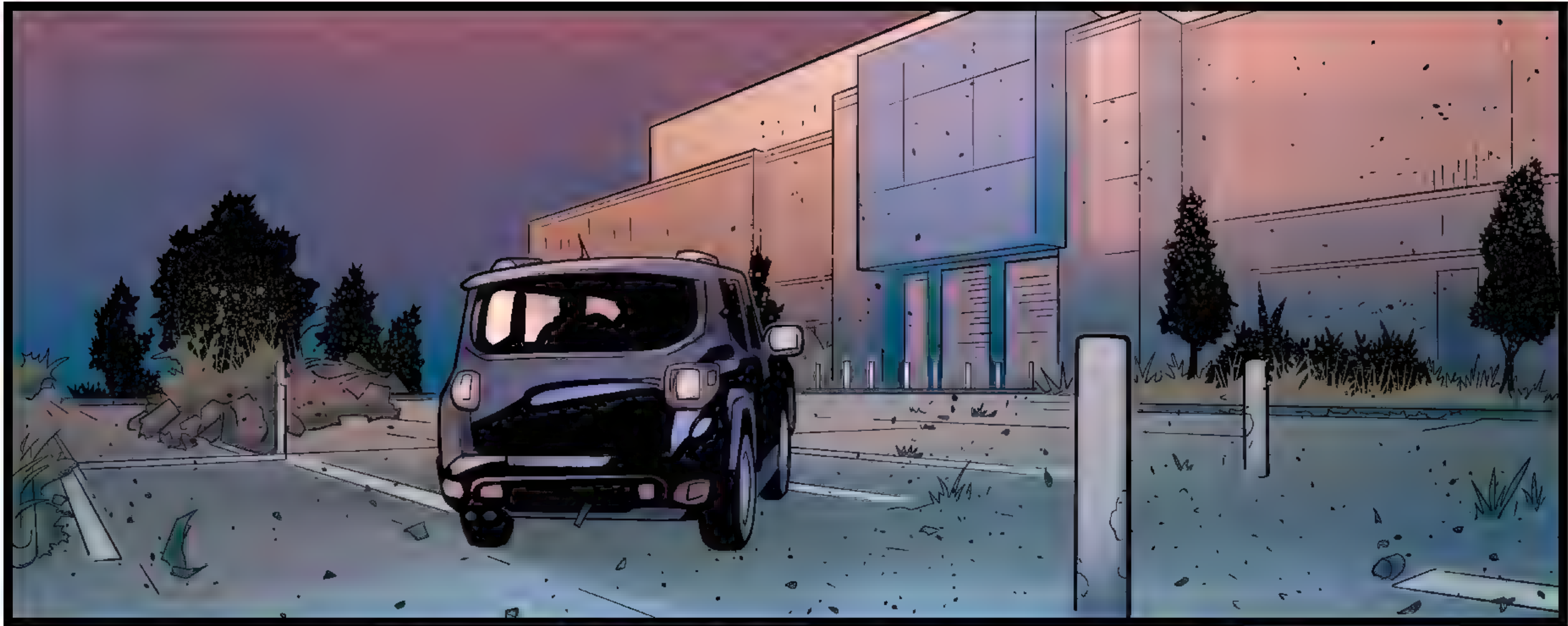
NOT TRYING TO GET INTO YOUR PRIVATE BUSINESS.

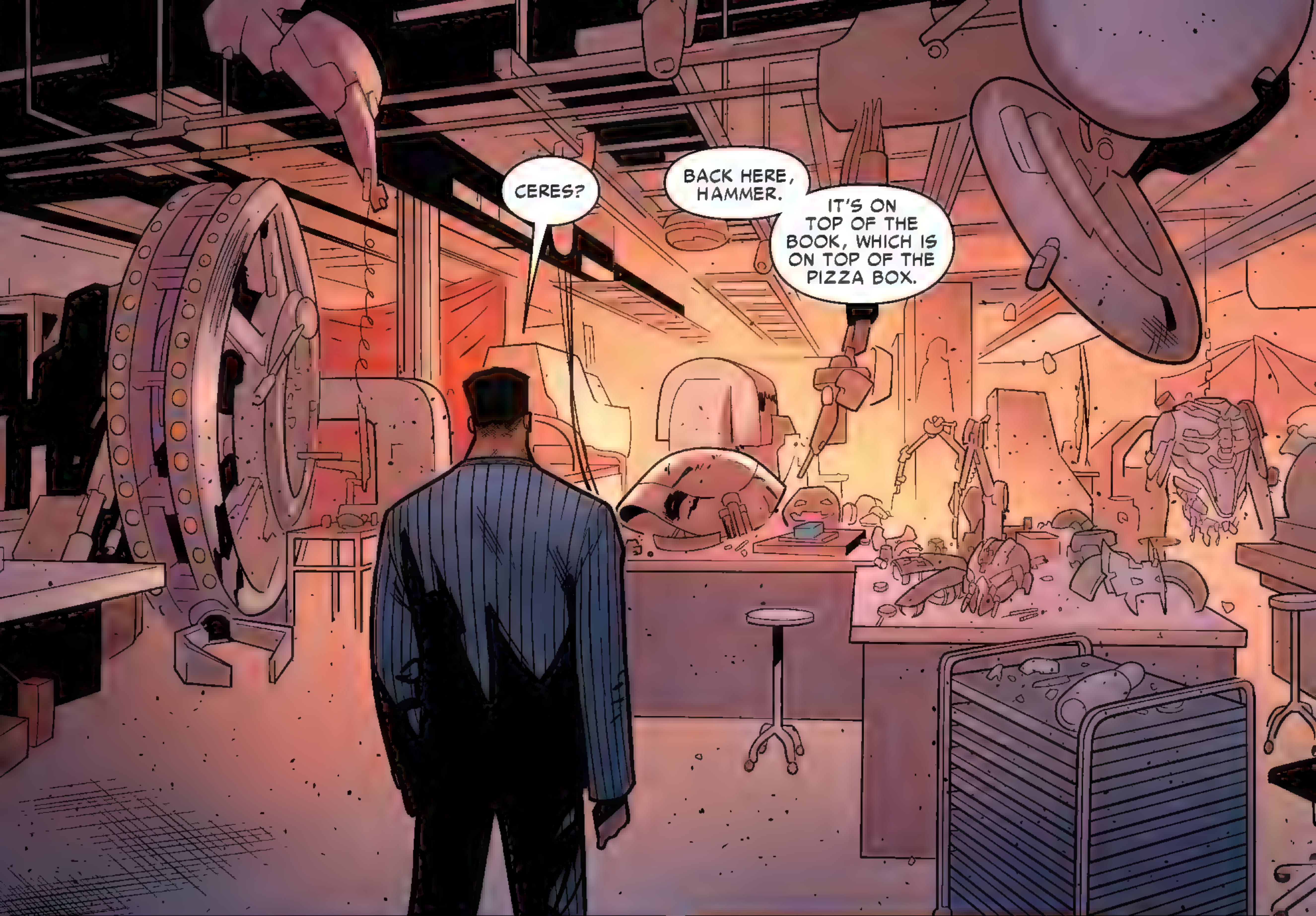
I JUST FIGURE US EX-AGENTS SHOULD BE THERE FOR EACH OTHER WHEN WE CAN.











CERES?

BACK HERE,
HAMMER.

IT'S ON
TOP OF THE
BOOK, WHICH IS
ON TOP OF THE
PIZZA BOX.



THIS
IS IT.

YOU
SAID NO
TECH.

THAT
IS NOT
TECH.

YEAH.
TECH AIN'T
ME. A BATTLE
SUIT?

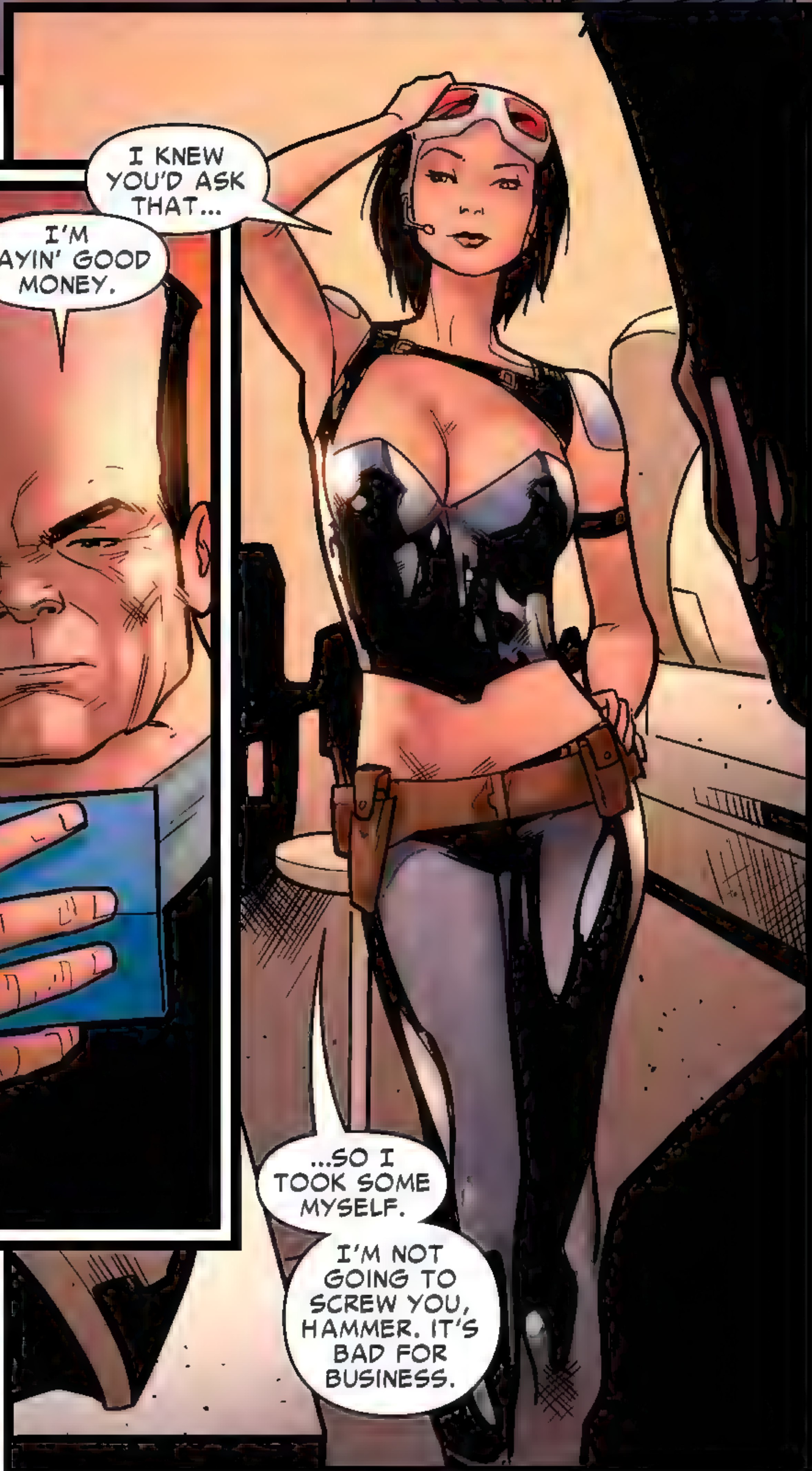
THAT'LL
DO IT,
THEN.



DOES
IT WORK,
CERES?

I'M
PAYIN' GOOD
MONEY.

I KNEW
YOU'D ASK
THAT...



...SO I
TOOK SOME
MYSELF.

I'M NOT
GOING TO
SCREW YOU,
HAMMER. IT'S
BAD FOR
BUSINESS.



JEEZ,
CERES! YOU
LOOK 20 YEARS
YOUNGER!

DID--
DID IT
WORK?

HOW
DO YOU
FEEL?

I HAVEN'T FELT
THIS GOOD SINCE
KINDERGARTEN.

MY MESOLIMBIC
DOPAMINE PATHWAY
FEELS LIKE A NASCAR
MOTOR SPEEDWAY!

IT MAKES
YOU--IT MAKES YOU
THE BEST YOU YOU
EVER WERE...FOR
A TIME.

PHYSICALLY.

I CAN'T
SPEAK TO
YOUR MENTAL
WELL-BEING, OF
COURSE.



ARE--ARE
THERE SIDE
EFFECTS?



OF
COURSE
THERE
ARE!

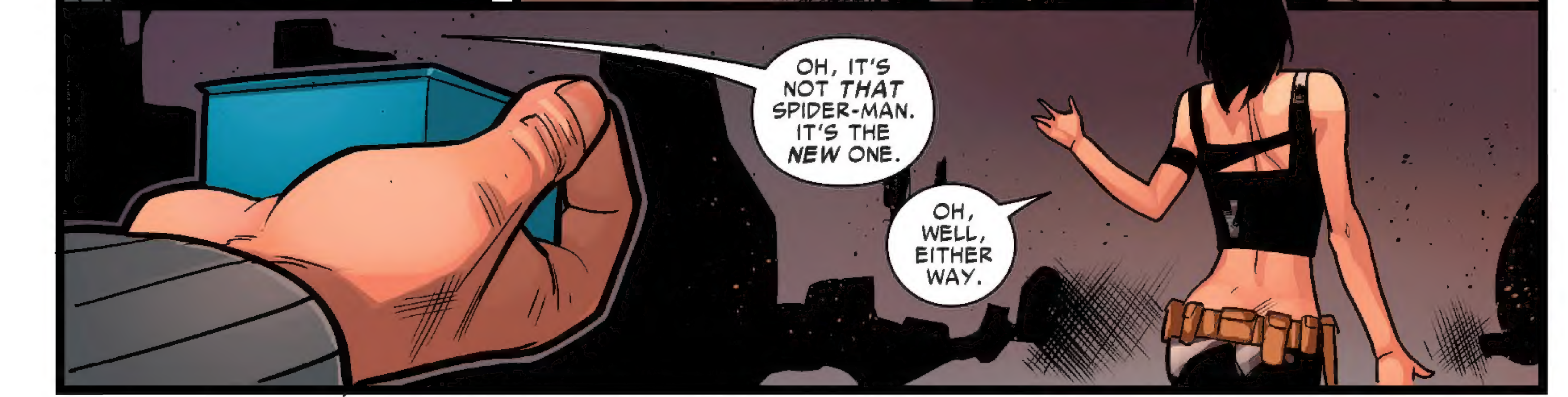
BUT YOU
WANT TO BEAT
SPIDER-MAN AND I
WANT TO EVENTUALLY
EVOLVE PAST
HUMAN BIOLOGY.

GO.

BEAT
HIM.

GO HAVE
FUN BEATING UP
SPIDER-MAN!

I KNOW
YOU GUYS
REALLY LOVE
DOING THAT.



OH, IT'S
NOT THAT
SPIDER-MAN.
IT'S THE
NEW ONE.

OH,
WELL,
EITHER
WAY.



SO...

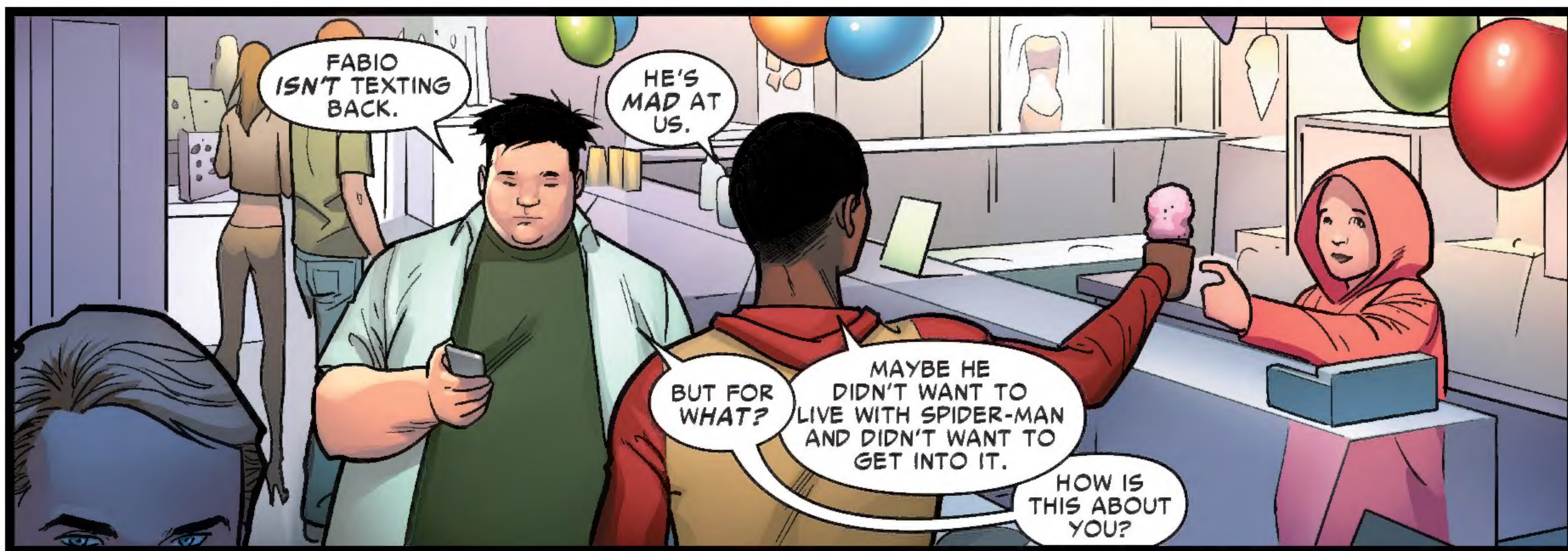
HOW LONG YOU BEEN HOLDING ONTO THIS THING ABOUT ME BEING A COVER BAND?

A WHILE.

I DIDN'T--

IT'S TOO BIG TO SAY AND NOT BE RIGHT.

MORE AND MORE I'M THINKING I'M AT LEAST HALF RIGHT.



FABIO ISN'T TEXTING BACK.

HE'S MAD AT US.

BUT FOR WHAT?

MAYBE HE DIDN'T WANT TO LIVE WITH SPIDER-MAN AND DIDN'T WANT TO GET INTO IT.

HOW IS THIS ABOUT YOU?



HEY!

WHAT?

I PUT HAMMERHEAD IN JAIL LAST MONTH.

YEAH. YOU DID.

SO...

WHY IS HE OUT?

BECAUSE THE WORLD SUCKS.

MAYBE I SHOULD--



OW.

DUDE.

YOUR RIBS.

OW!

YOU'RE TOTALLY BENCHED.

SIT DOWN.

I THOUGHT I'D TRY.

OW.



I KNOW.

I JUST
WANTED TO AT
LEAST *PRETEND*
I COULD--
ARR!

STAY
HOME.

HAMMERHEAD
IS GOING TO
COME FOR YOU
EVENTUALLY...



BECAUSE?

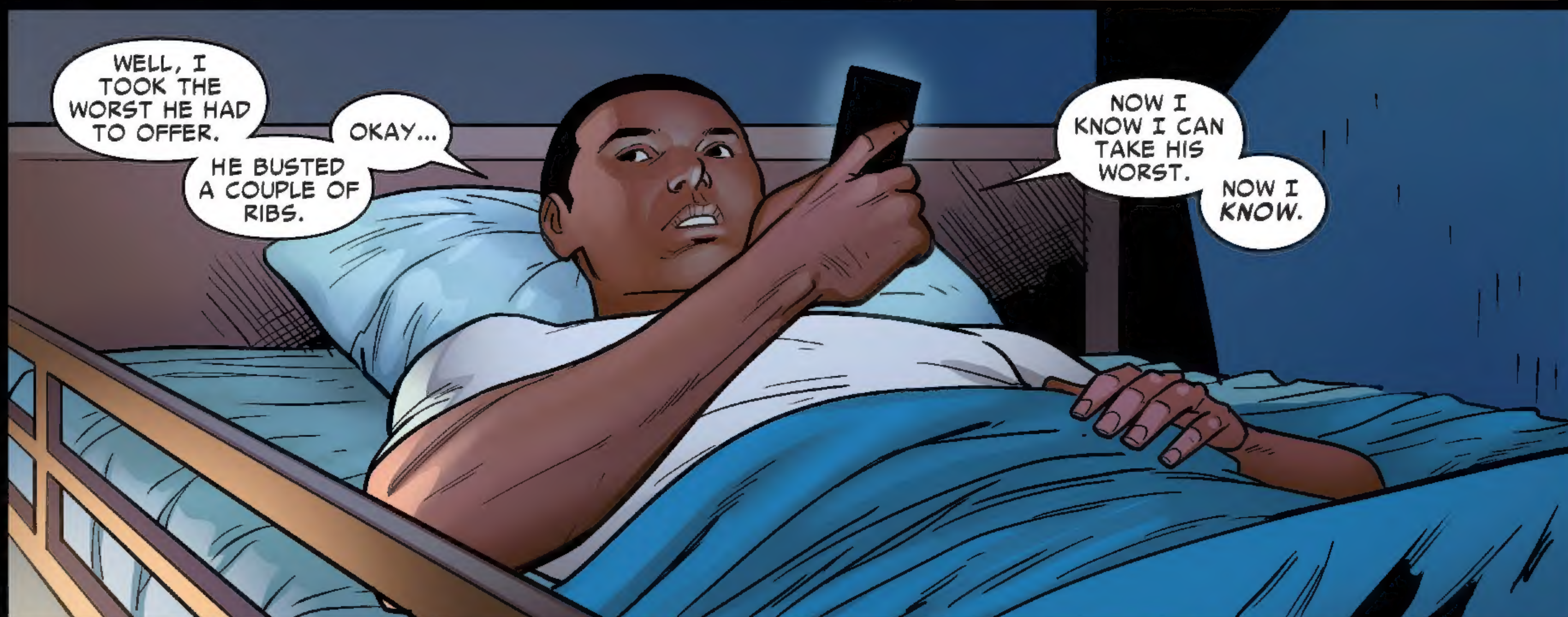
YOU MADE
HIM LOOK
REALLY BAD.

IN
PUBLIC.
ON TV.

IN
FRONT OF
HIS BROS.

TWICE.

TWICE.



WELL, I
TOOK THE
WORST HE HAD
TO OFFER.

OKAY...

HE BUSTED
A COUPLE OF
RIBS.

NOW I
KNOW I CAN
TAKE HIS
WORST.

NOW I
KNOW.



SO...
NO MORE
SURPRISES.

Hey!
Just checking
in on you.

Haven't heard.

Everybody in
one piece?

TO BE CONTINUED...

